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PREFACE

This checklist of reports of select committees of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario for the period 1867 - 1978 is a companion volume to Ontario Royal Commissions and Commissions of Inquiry, 1867-1978: A Checklist of Reports, published by the Legislative Library in 1980. As in the case of the earlier publication, the purpose of this present volume is to identify and publicize the existence of a vast amount of valuable report material useful to politicians, public servants, political scientists, historians, researchers, librarians and others interested in the development of public policies by successive committees of the Ontario Legislature.

This checklist records the reports of 109 select committees of the Legislative Assembly presented during the period from Confederation to 1978. Their subject matter ranges widely from Agricultural Marketing to Youth and from Gambling Laws to Nuclear Energy. Their length varies from a few pages to several hundred. Fifty-one of the select committees (or nearly 47 per cent of the total) were established during the period from World War II to the end of 1978; eighteen committees (or approximately 17 per cent of the total) were established during the period 1971 - 1978.

I would like to commend the two compilers, Eleanor Barnes, Librarian, Information and Reference Services, Legislative Library, and Danguole Juozapavicius, a former student employee of the Legislative Library and now a graduate of the Faculty of Library Science of the University of Toronto, for this valuable reference work on the work of committees of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

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INTRODUCTION

This checklist includes reports issued by select committees of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario for the period from 1867 to the end of 1978. For this project, a "select committee" has been defined as a committee struck ad hoc by the Legislative Assembly, comprised of Members of the Legislative Assembly, with specified terms of reference to investigate a special issue. The select committee must report its findings to the Legislature at which time the committee ceases to exist.

All those committees, whose function resembles that of present-day standing committees have been excluded. Many committees in the earlier period were designated "special" or "select" but were, in effect, established to review a bill after first reading as do the various standing committees today.

Items are arranged chronologically by the date of appointment. Unless otherwise specified, the "Date Appointed" is the date indicated in the Journals of the Legislative Assembly.

In most cases the form of the name of the committee is as it appears on the title page of the report. If there is a variance here from the terms of reference in the Ontario Journals, sources such as Bishop, MacTaggart, or the Ontario Archives Inventory of Select Committees have been consulted.¹

An "Historical Background" note has been included as a useful reference tool. Names of individuals, companies, etc., involved in the committee's investigation and mentioned in the "Historical Background" notes appear in the "Topical Index". There is also an "Index to Chairmen and Committee Members". No attempt was made to index exhibits or names of witnesses.

The "Chairman" and "Committee Members" have been noted from the appointment announcement in the Journals. Designations (e.g., Hon.) are those at the time of appointment. For historical reference, the political affiliation for each Member is indicated. The "Recommended" statement refers to the Member of the Legislature who proposed the establishment of the committee.

The number of interim and final reports and the dates of publication and tabling in the Legislature are provided whenever available. The interim reports are listed in chronological order by the date tabled in the Legislature. The earlier select committees seldom produced more than a final report and often these reports were printed only in the Journals. We have indicated whenever these were also printed separately.

In recent years, several select committees, such as the Select Committee on Company Law, and the Select Committee on Hydro Affairs, each with broad terms of reference, have extended over several sessions or even Legislatures. Their "interim" reports are, in effect, "final" reports on one facet of their investigations, as for example, the Report on Automobile Insurance issued in 1978 by the Ontario Select Committee on Company Law.

In addition to bibliographical data deemed necessary to identify and distinguish the reports, we have included additional details about the report under "Notes".

¹See Bibliography, pp. 76-77.

We have indicated the holdings of the Archives of Ontario and the Ontario Legislative Library. No attempt was made to establish any other location. The "Holdings" note refers to additional holdings of special materials, other than the actual reports, held by the two institutions. Archives' holdings were identified from the Archives Inventory and have been updated. The Ontario Legislative Library's holdings were established from the Library's catalogue, the Journals and the collection itself.

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ABBREVIATIONS

OAR	Archives of Ontario 77 Grenville Street Toronto, Ontario M7A 2R9
OTL	Legislative Library, Research and Information Services Legislative Building Queen's Park Toronto, Ontario M7A 1A2
R.A.	Royal assent: refers to date on which Royal Assent was granted to legislation.

POLITICAL AFFILIATION SYMBOLS

C	Conservative: Originally the Tory party or "Family Compact" of Upper Canada, after 1854, it became officially the Liberal-Conservative Party, but was more commonly known as the Conservative Party. In 1942, it was renamed the Progressive Conservative Party.
CCF	Co-operative Commonwealth Federation: Established in 1932 by Canadian farm and labour organizations. After its expansion it changed its name to the New Democratic Party (N.D.P.) in 1961.
Indep.	Independent: A term referring to candidates with no political affiliation to an established party.
L.	Liberal: Formed by the Reform and Clear Grit Parties of Upper Canada in the 1850's, the party became known as the Liberal Party after Confederation. As a result of party factionalism the title Liberal was combined with other party names to express the divergence in loyalties. (See next 4 items)
L.P.P.	Liberal Progressive Party: In 1930 the Liberal Party joined forces with the Progressive Party which had been dissolved in 1927. By the 1934 election most of the party members reverted to using "Liberal" only.
L. Independent	Liberal Independent: Indicates the candidate's affiliation with the Liberal Party but also his rejection of some of the Party's policies.
L. Patron	Liberal Patron: Originating in the American group, "Patrons of Industry", this party was officially established in 1893 in Ontario. In the 1894 elections candidates ran using Liberal-Patron and Conservative-Patron to indicate their particular political slant. The "Patrons of Industry" supporters were absorbed by the Liberal Party by 1926.

Lib.-Labour	Liberal Labour: Founded in 1917 first as a federal party, the Labour Party ceased to exist as a separate political entity by the 1930's. Political candidates using the Liberal-Labour title acknowledged interest in both parties.
N.D.P.	New Democratic Party: (see C.C.F. above)
P.C.	Progressive Conservative: (see C: Conservative above)
Progr.	Progressive: Following the 1923 election, the Conservative Government had refused to declare seventeen members of the United Farmers of Ontario Party as official opposition (see below). Angered by this action, G.C. Drury, Harry Nixon and W.H. Fenton formed the Progressive Party from the dissatisfied U.F.O. members. With a broader appeal than that of the U.F.O., the Progressive Party remained active until 1927 when it dissolved.
U.F.O.	United Farmers of Ontario: Formed in 1914 to express politically farming interests in Ontario, by 1923 the Party had split into two groups: the U.F.O. and the Progressive Party. While the Liberal Party absorbed the Progressives by 1930, the U.F.O. became an affiliate of the C.C.F. (see above). In 1934 the U.F.O., however, withdrew because of allegations that the C.C.F. was Communist. By 1939 the U.F.O. no longer existed as a party.

CHECKLIST

1 **Select Committee Appointed to Inquire into the State of the Toronto General Hospital**

Appointed on January 15, 1868.

Chairman: Abraham W. Lauder (C).

Committee Members: William Beatty (L.), Fred W. Cumberland (C), Thomas R. Ferguson (C), Alexander Fraser (L), Hon. Stephen Richards (C), John Charles Rykert (C), W.M. Shaw (C). January 29th, 1868, Hon. Peter Gow (L), Hon. John McMurrich (L) added.

Recommended by: John Charles Rykert (C).

Report: Presented to the House February 18, 1868. Journals v.1, 1867/68. Appendix no. 8, 22 p.

Notes: The Report includes minutes of interviews with trustees and medical officers in three parts: Income and Expenditures, Government of the Institution, Patients. See also Sessional Papers v. 1 part 2, 1868-69, no. 22, for the Petition of the Trustees to the Government, dated November 30, 1868, and the Report of the Trustees, dated June 8, 1868.

Location: OTAR.

Archives Holdings: Report (handwritten) 8 p., questionnaires, correspondence.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: Financial difficulties, resulting from the withdrawal of the federal annual grant in 1867, had caused the closing of the Toronto General Hospital. The Committee was established in response to the hospital trustees' petitions for provincial financial support. As a result of one of the Committee's recommendations, a hospital board was created. The hospital reopened shortly after. In 1874, Bill 139, An Act to regulate Public Aid to Charitable Institutions, provided systematic financial support. Passed March 21, 1874, R.A. March 24, 1874.

2 **Select Committee to Inquire into the Nature and Extent of the Exportation of Saw Logs, Shingle Bolts, and Stave Bolts Cut in this Province and Exported from the Dominion**

Appointed on February 26, 1868.

Chairman: No chairman was appointed.

Committee Members: Robert Christie (L), Alex P. Cockburn (L), Simon S. Cook (L), Edmund John Hooper (C), John L. McDougall (C), Thomas Paxton (L), Hon. Stephen Richards (C).

Recommended by: Robert Christie (L).

Report: None.

Source of Information: Journals v. 1, 1867/68, p. 76.

Historical Background: The Committee was to consider how to control the growing export trade of these wood products. By the Act of Union the Federal Government alone had the authority to impose a tax on such items. On April 22, 1869, a federal select committee was appointed to study this matter.

3

The Common and Grammar School Committee

Appointed November 16, 1868.

Chairman: Hon. Mathew C. Cameron (C), Provincial Secretary & Registrar.

Committee Members: William Beatty (C), Sir Edward Blake (L), James Boyd (L), Robert Christie (L), William Craig (C), Hugh P. Crosby (L. Independent), Fred W. Cumberland (C), Thomas R. Ferguson (C), Alex D. Ferrier (C), Absalom Greeley (L), Abraham W. Lauder (C), John L. McDougall (C), William McGill (L), Hon. John McMurich (L), Andrew Monteith (C), Timothy B. Pardee (L), John Charles Rykert (C), Hon. Richard W. Scott (L), W.M. Shaw (C), Donald Sinclair (L), Benjamin Tett (C), Arthur T.H. Williams (C). November 19, 1868 John Coyne (L) added.

Recommended by: Hon. John Sandfield Macdonald (C), Premier and Attorney-General.

Report: Dated January 19, 1869. Presented to the House January 22, 1869. Journals v. 2, 1868/69. Appendix no. 3, 3 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: The Report includes the Report of the Sub-Committee Appointed to Examine Into the Internal Management of the Educational Department. The original was printed as a broadsheet. 2 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Report (handwritten) 2 p., proceedings, miscellaneous documents.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: The Committee was to review the common and grammar school system together with the Department of Public Instruction. Dr. Egerton Ryerson, as Chief Superintendent of Education, had submitted his report to the Legislature on the systems in European, American and British schools. The Committee was also to review Dr. Ryerson's draft bills on the

subject which were incorporated in Bill 119, An Act to amend the Common School Acts of (Upper Canada)Ontario, and Bill 129, An Act to amend the Law respecting Grammar Schools, both introduced by the Hon. M.C. Cameron for first reading in December 1868 but later dropped in January 1869 at Dr. Ryerson's request. In 1870, Bill 2, An Act to improve the Common and Grammar Schools of the Province of Ontario, 1870, had first reading December 13, 1870. Passed, February 14, 1871 with an amendment. R.A. February 15, 1871. Because of political and press criticism of the management of his department, Dr. Ryerson requested that a sub-committee be created to study his department. The Sub-Committee vindicated Dr. Ryerson in his management of the Department.

4 **Select Committee on Wooden Railways**

Appointed November 16, 1869.

Chairman: John Carnegie Jr. (C).

Committee Members: William Barber (L), George H. Boulter (C), Delino D. Calvins (C), Hon. John Carling (C), Alex P. Cockburn (L), William Craig (C), Fred W. Cumberland (C), Ketchum Graham (C), Absalom Greeley (L), Edmond John Hooper (C), Archibald McKellar (L), Hon. John McMurrich (L), Hon. Stephen Richards (C), Donald Sinclair (L), Arthur T.H. Williams (C).

Recommended by: John Carnegie Jr. (C).

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House December 9, 1869. Journals v. 3, 1869. Appendix no. 1, 11 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: Appendix to the Report contains minutes of evidence obtained from J.B. Hulbert (contractor), John Foster (engineer), and Kivas Tully (engineer), and extracts from a pamphlet published in 1845 entitled Prosser's Patent Railway Guide Wheels: on either Iron or Wooden Rails.

Location: OTAR.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: Railways were important for the future development of resources and transportation of immigrants to the West. The Committee was to examine the practicality of wooden railways which contractors suggested cost one third of the price of iron railways. The Committee recommended the use of wooden railways particularly in newly settled areas because of the low cost and speed of construction.

5 **Select Committee to Inquire into and Report upon the Endowment and Utility of Upper Canada College and its Relation to our Educational System**

Appointed November 18, 1869.

Chairman: Hon. Mathew C. Cameron (C), Provincial Secretary & Registrar.

Committee Members: Sir Edward Blake (L), James Boyd (L), John Carnegie Jr. (C), Robert Christie (L), John Coyne (L), William Craig (C), Hugh P. Crosby (L. Independent), Fred W. Cumberland (C), Thomas R. Ferguson (C), Alex D. Ferrier (C), Absalom Greeley (L), Abraham W. Lauder (C), John L. McDougall (C), William McGill (L), Hon. John McMurrich (L), Andrew Monteith (C), Timothy B. Pardee (L), John Charles Rykert (C), Hon. Richard W. Scott (L), Donald Sinclair (L), Benjamin Tett (C), Arthur T.H. Williams (C).

Recommended by: Robert Christie (L).

Report: Presented to the House December 17, 1869. Sessional Papers v. 2, 1869, no. 47. Not printed.

Notes: Not printed in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee on Printing.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, miscellaneous correspondence.

Source of Information: Journals v. 3, 1869. p. 26.

Historical Background: The Common and Grammar School Committee (item #3) had not dealt with the petitions submitted to it regarding Upper Canada College's endowment. This Committee was to define the College's role as an intermediate institution between grammar school and university. The Committee's Report reaffirmed the college's importance, but recommended no changes to the funding system.

6

Select Committee on the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal

Appointed on November 22, 1869.

Chairman: William Lount (L).

Committee Members: James Boyd (L), Hon. Mathew C. Cameron (C), Macneil Clarke (C), John Coyne (L), Thomas R. Ferguson (C), Thomas Graham (C), William T. Hays (C), Abraham W. Lauder (C), Simpson McCall (L. Independent), Adam Oliver (L), Thomas Swinarton (C), John Wallis (C), Arthur T.H. Williams (C).

Recommended by: William Lount (L).

Report: Dated December 21, 1869. Presented to the House December 22, 1869. Reprinted with Report of a later Committee (item #22) Journals v. 12, 1879. Appendix no. 2, pp. 16-23. Also printed separately.

Notes: Included with the Report are extracts from the meetings, reports and data from a committee of the Canadian House of Commons on the same topic.

Location: OTAR.

Archives Holdings: Report (handwritten and printed versions), reports of various select committees on the Huron and Ontario Ship canal.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Bishop.

Historical Background: The Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company had petitioned the Ontario Government several times for land grants and special concessions to advance their work. The Committee was appointed to review and evaluate the company's canal work proposals to connect Lakes Huron and Ontario with a ship canal. The Committee's Report, recommending the construction of the canal with the required land grants, was not adopted because the Hon. John Sandfield Macdonald, Premier, claimed the Committee had exceeded its powers (item #22).

7 **Select Committee on the Land Improvement Fund**

Appointed November 25, 1869.

Chairman: Timothy B. Pardee (L).

Committee Members: Sir Edward Blake (L), George H. Boulter (C), Alex D. Ferrier (C), Hugh Finlayson (L), Daniel Galbraith (L), Archibald McKellar (L), Hon. Stephen Richards (C), Hon. Edmund B. Wood (C).

Recommended by: Sir Edward Blake (L), Leader of the Opposition.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House December 10, 1869. Journals v. 3, 1869. Appendix no. 2, 45 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: Appendix to the Report includes evidence of witnesses and relevant Returns and Orders in Council.

Location: OTAR.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: By the Land Act of 1853, the Government was to spend a certain percentage of the proceeds from the sale of school and crown lands on local improvements to roads and bridges. This Improvement Fund had not been used for such a purpose since 1861. No recommendations were made in the Report.

8 **Select Committee Appointed to Inquire into the Statements Made by the Hon. M.C. Cameron, Reflecting on the Hon. E.B. Wood**

Appointed January 24, 1872. Members appointed January 30, 1872.

Chairman: George H. Boulter (C).

Committee Members: William D. Ardagh (C), Alfred Boulton (C), Charles Clarke (L), Abraham Farewell (L), William Fitzsimmons (C), Hon. Timothy B. Pardee (L), George Perry (L), Albert Prince (L).

Recommended by: Hon. Mathew C. Cameron (C), Leader of the Opposition.

Report: Dated and presented to the House, February 15, 1872. Journals v. 5, 1871/72. Appendix no. 2, 6 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: Report includes proceedings of the Committee.

Location: OTAR.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: In the Legislature the Hon. M.C. Cameron alleged that Sir Edward Blake, while a Member of the Opposition, had tried to induce the Hon. E.B. Wood to resign as Treasurer of the Province of Ontario by offering him money. The Committee found no such offer had been made and the Report was concurred on a division.

9 **Select Committee Appointed to Inquire into the Best Means of Protecting Timber from Fire**

Appointed January 31, 1872.

Chairman: No chairman was appointed.

Committee Members: Robert Christie (L), Henry Corby (C), Hon. Adam Crooks (L), Adam Oliver (L), Thomas Paxton (L), Albert Prince (L), Hon. Richard W. Scott (L), Hon. Edmund B. Wood (C), Hon. Samuel C. Wood (C).

Recommended by: Adam Oliver (L).

Report: None.

Source of Information: Journals v. 5, 1871/72, p. 81.

Historical Background: Because of a heavy loss of timber in the Province, the Committee was to explore possible measures to protect this valuable source of wealth for Ontario. A concern was expressed in the Legislature that the Committee would not be able to report within the current session because of the volume of work that was anticipated. No further records of matters pertaining to this Committee were found.

10 **Select Committee Appointed to Inquire into the Grey (South Riding) Election**

Appointed February 1, 1872.

Chairman: John Charles Rykert (C).

Committee Members: George H. Boulter (C), Daniel Galbraith (L), Herbert S. Macdonald (C), Hon. Timothy B. Pardee (L), Albert Prince (L). February 23, 1872 Mr. Pardee, excused from the Committee because of illness, was replaced by Abraham Farewell (L).

Recommended by: Abraham W. Lauder (C).

Interim Reports: Tabled February 21, 1872. One witness, H.P. Dwight, summoned to produce telegrams with reference to the election, refused to do so. The Committee requested further direction.

Report: Dated and presented to the House February 29, 1872. Sessional Papers v. 5 part 3, 1873, no. 49. 76 p. Printed for distribution among Members only.

Notes: Included with the Report are the Interim Report and the minutes and evidence taken before the Committee.

Location: OTAR.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: As Government Inspector of Lands for Grey County, Mr. Lewis was responsible for estimating land values for the collection of interest on money still owing to the Government. He allegedly had told county residents that he was authorized by the Government to issue a low estimate to those who voted against Mr. Lauder, one of the electoral candidates. The Committee concluded that the accusations were true.

11 **Select Committee Appointed to Inquire into the State of Hospitals, Poor Houses and Houses of Correction and Refuge**

Appointed February 14, 1872.

Chairman: No chairman was appointed.

Committee Members: Jacob Baxter (L), Sir Edward Blake (L), George H. Boulter (C), John F. Clarke (L), Hon. Peter Gow (L), Thomas B. Guest (C), John H. Wilson (L).

Recommended by: John F. Clarke (L).

Report: None.

Source of Information: Journals v. 5, 1871/72, p. 127.

Historical Background: No further records of matters pertaining to this Committee were found.

12 **Select Committee Appointed to Inquire into the Working of the Tavern and Shop License Act of 1868**

Appointed February 17, 1873.

Chairman: Abraham Farewell (L).

Committee Members: William D. Ardagh (C), James Bethune (L), George H. Boulter (C), Delino D. Calvins (C), John F. Clarke (L), Simon S. Cook (L), James Dawson (L), Thomas Deacon (C), Thomas M. Fairburn (L), Hon. C.F. Fraser (L), Robert Gibbons (L), John T. Grange (C), Thomas B. Guest (C), Henry R. Haney (L), Herbert S. Macdonald (C), John McLeod (L), Henry Merrick (C), Adam Oliver (L), William W. Webb (L), James M. Williams (L), Hon. Edmund B. Wood (C).

Recommended by: Abraham Farewell (L).

Report: Presented to the House March 28, 1873. Not printed.

Notes: Mr. Farewell reported that answers to a questionnaire prepared by the Committee had not been received. The Queen's Printer was to receive the remainder to be retained for use in the next session.

Location: OTAR.

Archives Holdings: Report (handwritten).

Source of Information: Journals v. 6, 1873, p. 362.

Historical Background: Petitions from approximately 50,000 people were received by the Legislature with respect to the Tavern and Shop License Act. The Committee was to consider the petitions as well as the relevant bills introduced in the session and the effectiveness of British laws which had been reviewed by a similar committee appointed by the British Parliament. The Committee issued a questionnaire to representative members of society to whom the Tavern and Shop License Act would be of some concern. Its Report recommended that the Legislature continue its study of the legislation in the next session (item #16).

13 **Select Committee Appointed to Inquire into the Case of the Widow of the Late Colonel Baldwin**

Appointed March 10, 1873.

Chairman: Alfred Boulton (C).

Committee Members: Hon. Mathew C. Cameron (C), Hon. C.F. Fraser (L), William R. Meredith (C), John Charles Rykert (C), Hon. Samuel C. Wood (C).

Recommended by: Alfred Boulton (C).

Report: Presented to the House March 14, 1873. Journals v. 6, 1873, pp. 233-34.

Source of Information: Journals v. 6, 1873, p. 219.

Historical Background: In 1837, Col. Baldwin of the British army in Canada had spent about \$5,000 of his own money to raise a military corps for the defence of the Niagara frontier during the Upper Canada Rebellion. When the Government did not reimburse him he was forced to sell his property and half-pay which after his death in 1861 would have been used to support his family. The Committee's Report summarized the sequence of events leading to the claim, but no immediate action was taken. By the efforts of Col. Baldwin's nephew, M.H. Higgins, a small pension was secured for Mrs. Baldwin.

14 **Select Committee Appointed to Inquire into the Constitution and Operation of Mercantile Agencies**

Appointed March 10, 1873.

Chairman: No chairman was appointed.

Committee Members: William Barber (L), Alfred Boulton (C), John F. Clarke (L), Thomas Deacon (C), Abraham Farewell (L), Abraham W. Lauder (C), John McLeod (L), William R. Meredith (C), Hon. Samuel C. Wood (C).

Recommended by: Abraham W. Lauder (C).

Report: None.

Source of Information: Journals v. 6, 1873, p. 219.

Historical Background: Merchants had complained to Mr. Lauder that some mercantile agencies were supplying false and harmful information about them from agencies' records. The Committee was to inquire into the matter and recommend any changes deemed necessary in the structure and corporate responsibility of these agencies. No further records of the Committee's activities were found.

15 **Select Committee Appointed to Inquire into the Case of John Montgomery**

Appointed March 17, 1873.

Chairman: Alfred Boulton (C).

Committee Members: Hugh P. Crosby (L. Independent), Abraham Farewell (L), Hon. C.F. Fraser (L), Peter Patterson (L), Albert Prince (L), Hon. Stephen Richards (C), Hon. Samuel C. Wood (C).

Recommended by: Alfred Boulton (C).

Report: Presented to the House March 26, 1873. Journals v. 6, 1873, p. 324 contains brief report as read.

Source of Information: Journals v. 6, 1873, p. 244.

Historical Background: John Montgomery, a rebel in the Upper Canada Rebellion, had petitioned the Government for payment of the money owing him for the destruction of his property by the Government troops in 1837 and for confiscation of a sum of \$1,589. The Committee's Report confirmed that indeed there was a claim for damages. It recommended awarding him \$3,000.

16

Select Committee on Liquor Traffic

Appointed February 9, 1874.

Chairman: Abraham Farewell (L).

Committee Members: William D. Ardagh (C), James Bethune (L), George H. Boulter (C), Delino D. Calvins (C), John F. Clarke (L), Simon S. Cook (L), Hon. James G. Currie (L), James Dawson (L), Thomas Deacon (C), Hon. C.F. Fraser (L), John T. Grange (C), Thomas B. Guest (C), Henry R. Haney (L), John McLeod (L), Henry Merrick (C), Adam Oliver (L), William W. Webb (L), James M. Williams (L), Samuel C. Wood (C).

Recommended by: Abraham Farewell (L).

Report: Dated and presented to the House March 20, 1874. Journals v. 7, 1874. Appendix no. 2, 74 p.

Notes: Report includes questionnaire sample, and four pages of extracts from British sources relating to temperance. See also Sessional Papers v. 6 part 3, 1874, no. 7 for the Report Relative to the General Working of the Tavern and Shop Licenses Acts by the Provincial Treasurer (Adam Crooks). 20 p. (A digest of reports by provincial inspectors). Also, Sessional Papers v. 7 part 2, 1874, no. 4, Report Respecting Tavern and Shop Licenses for the Year 1874. 16 p. Includes tables showing who applied for licenses, how many were granted and the types of licenses given.

Location: OTAR.

Archives Holdings: Report (typescript).

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: The Committee, appointed to continue the review of the Tavern and Shop Licenses Act, analyzed the questionnaires prepared by the previous Committee (item #12). The Report recommended prohibiting the traffic of liquor except for chemical, medicinal and mechanical purposes. The following session, Bill 103, An Act to amend the Act respecting the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors Under Shop Licenses, was introduced

December 11, 1874, but withdrawn December 18, 1874. No reason for its withdrawal could be established.

17 **Select Committee on the Charges of J.C. Rykert, Esq., M.P.P.**

Appointed November 20, 1874.

Chairman: Hon. James G. Currie (L), Speaker.

Committee Members: Hon. Mathew C. Cameron (C), Hammel M. Deroche (L), Hon. Arthur S. Hardy (L), William R. Meredith (C).

Recommended by: John Charles Rykert (C).

Report: Dated and presented to the House December 17, 1874. Journals v. 8, 1874. Appendix no. 2, 198 p.

Notes: Report includes evidence taken before the Committee.

Location: OTAR.

Archives Holdings: Report (handwritten), proceedings.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: At Wallacetown, Elgin County, the Hon. Archibald McKellar, Provincial Secretary, had stated that the Great Western Railway, Edward D. Tilson and the Toronto Street Railway Company had tried to bribe Mr. Rykert to gain his support in passing legislation concerning their interests. Although the Committee recommended that Mr. Rykert be absolved of these charges, it did recommend that legislation be introduced to prevent such possible influence being exerted on the Legislature.

18 **Select Committee on the Agricultural College**

Appointed December 1, 1874.

Chairman: James Bethune (L).

Committee Members: George H. Boulter (C), Thomas Hodgins (L), William H. Scott (C), Donald Sinclair (L).

Recommended by: Hon. Mathew C. Cameron (C), Leader of the Opposition.

Report: Dated December 18, 1874. Presented to the House December 19, 1874. Journals v. 8, 1874. Appendix no. 3, 64 p.

Notes: Includes minutes and evidence taken before the Committee.

Location: OTAR.

Archives Holdings: Report (handwritten), proceedings.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: The Committee was to inquire into the College's management which had been criticized by the press. It concluded that under the direction of a previous principal, Prof. Henry McCandless, there had been serious dissension and mismanagement, but vindicated the then current administration of Principal Charles Roberts.

19 **Select Committee on Railway Accidents**

Appointed January 17, 1877.

Chairman: No chairman was appointed.

Committee Members: Hon. James G. Currie (L), Hon. Arthur S. Hardy (L), Thomas Hodgins (L), Hon. W. McDougall (C), Thomas Wills (C).

Recommended by: Thomas Wills (C).

Report: None.

Notes: For return of all accidents and casualties which had occurred on railways for 1874, 1875, and 1876, see Sessional Papers v. 10, part 3, 1878, no. 14. 12 p. Return of Accidents and Casualties which occurred on railways for 1877, issued in Sessional Papers v. 11, part 4, 1879, no. 28. (Not printed.)

Source of Information: Journals v. 10, 1877, p. 48.

Historical Background: Concern for the safety of railway workers had been expressed in the Legislature. Bill 65, An Act for the protection of Brakesmen on Railway trains, was introduced by Mr. Wills on Dec. 17, 1875. The motion for second reading was defeated on division on January 24, 1876. The majority in the Legislature felt that the bill as it stood needed further study for which there was insufficient time in that session. The Legislature requested Returns showing all railway accidents and casualties recorded for 1874-77. There was no further action until the appointment of a similar committee (item #24).

20 **Select Committee on Public Health**

Appointed January 17, 1878.

Chairman: Hon. Adam Crooks (L), Minister of Education.

Committee Members: John Barr (C), Jacob Baxter (L), George H. Boulter (C), John F. Clarke (L), William Harkin (C), James McMahon (L), William Mostyn (C), Sir Oliver Mowat (L), John O'Sullivan (C), Joseph H. Widdifield (L), John H. Wilson (L).

Recommended by: Hon. Sir Oliver Mowat (L), Attorney-General.

Report: Dated March 1, 1878. Presented to the House March 2, 1878. Journals v. 11, 1878. Appendix no. 2, 16 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: Report includes minutes of proceedings, synopsis of answers and a summary of information.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Report (handwritten), proceedings, minutes, questionnaires, replies to questionnaires.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: Doctors had advocated to Sir Oliver Mowat the government's enforcement of sanitary measures to promote good public health. In the British election of 1874, such measures had been a political issue; in the United States death rates had been reduced in areas which had adopted various sanitary measures. The Committee circulated a questionnaire to municipal and health authorities regarding sanitation needs. Its findings pointed to the need for immediate action. The Committee recommended measures to be followed especially at the municipal level for removing sources of disease.

21 **Select Committee on Exemptions from Taxation**

Appointed January 29, 1878.

Chairman: James M. Ferris (L).

Committee Members: Robert Bell (C), Delino D. Calvins (C), Kenneth Chisholm (L), Thomas Deacon (C), Peter Graham (L), Hon. Arthur S. Hardy (L), William Hargraft (L), William Harkin (C), David D. Hay (L), Thomas Hodgins (L), Abraham W. Lauder (C), James McMahan (L), William R. Meredith (C), John C. Miller (L), Daniel J. O'Donoghue (L), James C. Patterson (C), William Robinson (C), William Sexton (L), James M. Williams (L), Thomas Wills (C).

Recommended by: Hon. Oliver Mowat (L), Attorney-General.

Interim Report: Dated March 1878. Presented to the House March 6, 1878. Journals v. 11, 1878. Appendix no. 4, 101 p.

Notes: Report includes statements submitted to the Committee, and memoranda on the United States, British and Canadian provincial exemptions from taxation.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Report (handwritten).

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: The Consolidated Assessment Act, 1853, had provided for most exemptions in force at this time. The Government had received numerous petitions for abolishing many such exemptions. The Attorney-General suggested the petitions did not accurately reflect public sentiment. The Committee was to consider which exemptions might be retained or removed. It circulated a questionnaire to business and municipal authorities on the matter, but concluded that a final report could not be made during the session (item #23).

22 **Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario on the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal**

Appointed January 31, 1879.

Chairman: Joseph H. Widdifield (L).

Committee Members: Robert Bell (C), Kenneth Chisholm (L), Hammel M. Deroche (L), James H. Hunter (L), John Lane (L), Abraham W. Lauder (C), Thomas Long (C), John C. Miller (L), Hon. Alex Morris (C), William J. Parkhill (C), Peter Patterson (L).

Recommended by: Robert Bell (C).

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House March 5, 1879. Journals v. 12, 1879. Appendix no. 2, 23 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: Report includes statements, maps and reports of the Select Committees appointed June 9, 1857 and May 31, 1864, by the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, and June 14, 1869, by the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada, (each referred to as the Select Committee on the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal), and December 21, 1869, by the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario (item #6).

Location: OTAR.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Bishop.

Historical Background: The Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company for some years had been petitioning the Government to permit it to build a canal (item #6). Despite the establishment of several select committees on the matter no action had yet been taken. This Committee, appointed to inquire into the Company's new plan of construction, concluded the plan was a good one and the project deserved the Government's consideration. Although the Company petitioned in 1880 for aid to begin a new survey, no action was taken.

23 **Select Committee on Taxation and Exemptions**

Appointed February 27, 1879.

Chairman: James M. Ferris (L).

Committee Members: Robert Bell (C), Delino D. Calvins (C), Kenneth Chisholm (L), Thomas Deacon (C), Peter Graham (L), Richard Harcourt (L), Hon. Arthur S. Hardy (L), William Hargraft (L), William Harkin (C), David D. Hay (L), Abraham W. Lauder (C), James McMahon (L), William R. Meredith (C), John C. Miller (L), Daniel J. O'Donoghue (L), William Robinson (C), Alex M. Ross (L), William Sexton (L), Solomon White (C), James M. Williams (L), Thomas Wills (C), Hon. Samuel C. Wood (C).

Recommended by: Hon. Arthur S. Hardy, Provincial Secretary and Provincial Registrar.

Report: Dated and presented to the House March 7, 1879. Journals v. 12, 1879. Appendix no. 3, 15 p.

Notes: Report includes minutes of Committee meetings and an analysis of answers received to questionnaires.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: This Committee was to continue the work begun by the previous Committee (item #21). It analyzed the answers to the questionnaire circulated by the earlier committee. Although no recommendations were made, it created the climate for action. In the following session Bill 119, An Act Respecting Municipal Taxation and Exemptions, introduced in February 9, 1880, was passed March 4, 1880. R.A. March 5, 1880.

24

Select Committee on Railway Accidents

Appointed January 15, 1880.

Chairman: James Young (L).

Committee Members: Robert Bell (C), George H. Boulter (C), Herman H. Cook (L), Hon. C.F. Fraser (L), John Morrison Gibson (L), Richard Harcourt (L), David Hay (L), William Lees (Indep. C.), James W. McLaughlin (L), Hon. Alexander Morris (C), Thomas M. Nairn (L), William J. Parkhill (C), Samuel S. Peck (L), Alex M. Ross (L), Rupert M. Wells (L), Solomon White (C).

Recommended by: Hon. C.F. Fraser (L), Commissioner of Public Works.

Report: Dated March 2, 1880. Journals v. 13, 1880. Appendix no. 1, 82 p.

Notes: Schedule A of the Report contains minutes of proceedings; Schedule B, contains replies received to questionnaire and includes a list of cars owned by foreign railway companies using the Great Western Railway tracks (pp. 17-20).

Location: OTAR.

Archives Holdings: Report (handwritten), minutes, correspondence.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: Continuing the work of a previous Select Committee (item #19), this Committee, after hearing from railway officials and employees, recommended several safety measures to prevent railway accidents. On February 7, 1881, Bill 101, An Act to make provision for the greater safety of Railway Employees, was introduced. The Bill was passed March 1, 1881. R.A March 4, 1881.

25 **Select Committee Appointed to Inquire as to the Reduction of the Number of Members of County Councils**

Appointed February 24, 1886.

Chairman: Charles A. Drury (L).

Committee Members: Archibald Bishop (L), Andrew Broder (C), John Clancy (Indep.), David Creighton (C), John Dryden (L), Thomas Gibson (L), John Gillies (L. Indep.), Richard Harcourt (L), William Lees (Indep. C.), Henry Merrick (C), Thomas Murray (L), James Rayside (L), Hon. Alexander M. Ross (L), John Waters (L), Solomon White (C), Joseph H. Widdifield (L), Alpheus F. Wood (C).

Recommended by: Charles A. Drury (L).

Report: Dated and presented to the House March 23, 1886. Journals v. 19, 1886. Appendix no. 1, 10 p.

Notes: Includes analysis of answers to questionnaire and tables.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: The membership of county councils, to which each municipality sent representatives, had become unwieldy as the number of municipalities increased. This Select Committee continued the work of a Standing Committee on Municipal Law, appointed in 1884, which had circulated questionnaires to municipal officials on the ways to improve the municipal structure. The Select Committee was unable to recommend any course of action. It was not until 1896 that legislation effected the necessary changes.

26 **Select Committee on the Act to Amend the Workmen's Compensation for Injuries Act, 1886**

Appointed March 22, 1887.

Chairman: Hon. C. F. Fraser (L), Commissioner of Public Works.

Committee Members: Absalom S. Allan (L), Thomas Ballantyne (L), Thomas Blezard (L), Erskine H. Bronson (L), Theodore F. Chamberlain (L), Edward F. Clarke (C), John B. Freeman (L),

Frederick J. French (C), William C.W. Garson (L), John Morrison Gibson (L), Thomas Gibson (L), Richard Harcourt (L), George J. Hess (C), William P. Hudson (C), Andrew B. Ingram (C), William R. Meredith (C), Robert H. Preston (C), James Rayside (L), Alexander Robillard (L), Elias W.B. Snider (L).

Recommended by: Hon. Christopher F. Fraser (L), Commissioner of Public Works.

Report: Dated and presented to the House April 15, 1887. Journals v. 20, 1887. Appendix no. 1, 67 p.

Notes: Report includes minutes and evidence taken before the Committee, and questionnaire.

Location: OTAR.

Archives Holdings: Report (handwritten), proceedings.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: The Committee was to consider particularly section 17 of the Act, which exempted railway companies such as the Grand Trunk Railway Company, having their own employee accident insurance schemes, from enforcement of the Act for a year. The Committee recommended making the Act applicable to every railway company to cover injured employees not members of any company insurance plan; it also circulated questionnaires to every member of the Grand Trunk and Provident Society for confidential replies. Bill 171, An Act to amend the Workmen's Compensation for Injuries Act, was passed April 19, 1887. R.A. April 23, 1887.

27 **Select Committee Appointed to Inquire into the Abolition of Toll Roads**

Appointed March 23, 1887.

Chairman: William Lees (C).

Committee Members: Absalom S. Allan (L), William Douglas Balfour (L), James Clancy (C), Walter M. Dack (L), Charles A. Drury (L), William C.W. Garson (L), Thomas Gibson (L), John T. Gilmour (L), Daniel Hilliard (L), William P. Hudson (C), Andrew B. Ingram (C), James McMahon (L), William R. Meredith (C), Hamilton P. O'Connor (L), Robert H. Preston (C), George B. Smith (C), James R. Stratton (L), Alpheus F. Wood (C), William B. Wood (L).

Recommended by: William Lees (C).

Report: Dated and presented to the House April 19, 1887. Journals v. 20, 1887. Appendix no. 2, 19 p.

Notes: Minutes of proceedings.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: In the Legislature Mr. Lees advocated that toll roads, resented by many Ontario residents, be abolished. The Committee's recommendations were in accord with this. In the next session Bill 6, An Act to amend the General Road Companies Act, 1888, introduced February 1, 1888, was considered after its second reading by the Legislature's Municipal Committee. The Bill, with the Committee's amendments, was circulated to local councils for their consideration. Although the Bill was not passed in 1888, it was re-introduced in 1889, as Bill 166, with the same title, which was passed with amendments March 21, 1889. R.A. March 23, 1889.

28 **Select Committee Appointed to Consider and Report as to the Sufficiency of Existing Legislation for the Formation and Carrying on of the Operations of Companies for the Manufacture of Cheese & Butter**

Appointed February 8, 1888.

Chairman: Alpheus F. Wood (C).

Committee Members: Nicholas Awrey (L), Thomas Ballantyne (L), Archibald Bishop (L), Thomas Blezard (L), James Clancy (C), Charles A. Drury (L), John Dryden (L), John Fell (C), Peter Graham (L), H.W. Hammell (C), William Lees (C), Angus McKay (L), John C. Miller (L), John Waters (L).

Recommended by: Alpheus F. Wood (C).

Report: Verbal report presented to the House March 19, 1888. Journals v. 21, 1888, pp. 129-131.

Location: OTAR.

Archives Holdings: Report (handwritten), proceedings, miscellaneous correspondence and circulars.

Source of Information: Journals v. 21, 1888, p. 30.

Historical Background: Established in response to the public demand for legislation regulating cheese and butter associations, the Committee circulated a questionnaire to cheese and butter manufacturers, inviting comments on how to prevent the adulteration of milk. In its Report the Committee endorsed Bill 130, An Act to provide for the incorporation of Cheese and Butter Associations, 1888, already introduced in the House by Mr. Wood on March 1, 1888. Considered by this Committee with amendments, the Bill was passed March 21, 1888. R.A. March 23, 1888.

29 **Select Committee on Natural Gas in the Province of Ontario**

Appointed March 26, 1894.

Chairman: William Douglas Balfour (L).

Committee Members: Nicholas Awrey (L), Erskine H. Bronson (L), William A. Charlton (L), James Connée (L), James T. Garrow (L), William McCleary (C), Charles Mackenzie (L), Solomon White (C), James Pliny Whitney (C), Alpheus F. Wood (C).

Recommended by: William Douglas Balfour (L).

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House April 25, 1894. Journals v. 27, 1894. Appendix no. 1, 114 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: Report includes evidence taken before the Committee.

Location: OTL.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: Complaints received from Welland, that natural gas operating companies were removing natural gas too quickly, had resulted in deputations calling upon the Government to present both sides of the case. The Committee concluded that the Government should not interfere with the delivery of natural gas. Bill 89, An Act to prevent taking of Natural Gas from the ground, introduced February 26, 1894, was withdrawn April 27, 1894.

30

Select Committee on the Maintenance of Government House in the Province of Ontario

Appointed February 27, 1896.

Chairman: Hon. Sir Oliver Mowat (L), Attorney-General.

Committee Members: Hon. Erskine H. Bronson (L), Hon. John Dryden (L), Robert Ferguson (L), Joseph L. Haycock (L. Patron), Oliver A. Howland (C), Donald Macnish (L. Patron), David M. Macpherson (L), George F. Marter (C), James Pliny Whitney (C).

Recommended by: Hon. Sir Oliver Mowat (L), Attorney-General.

Interim Reports: Entitled First Report, dated March 20, 1896, recommended the appointment of a subcommittee of Messrs. Howland and Macnish and requested more time for further investigation. Report was concurred. Journals v. 29, 1896. Appendix no. 2, p. [181].

Report: Entitled Second Report, dated April 1, 1896. Journals v. 29, 1896. Appendix no. 2, pp. 183-261. Includes First Report.

Notes: Includes the reports and documents therein referred to: minutes of sub-committee meetings, (p. 219) plan of Government House grounds, Schedule A and B statements of expenditures by the province on Government House from 1867-1895 and expenses of the Lieutenant Governor's office and Government House. Index

pp. 259-261. The Second Report was the final report for this Committee. The matter was further investigated by another Select Committee (item #31).

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: Mr. George Marter, M.P.P., suggested to the Legislature that it was too expensive for the province to maintain Government House. A select committee was established to investigate the charges. The First Report asserted that the office of Lieutenant-Governor was an essential part of the constitution but recommended no further action until the next session. The Second Report, recommending taking the subject up again because of its importance, was concurred April 1, 1896.

31 **Select Committee on the Maintenance of Government House**

Appointed March 11, 1897.

Chairman: Hon. Arthur S. Hardy (L), Attorney-General.

Committee Members: Hon. Elihu James Davis (L), Hon. John Dryden (L), Robert Ferguson (L), Joseph L. Haycock (L. Patron), Oliver A. Howland (C), Donald Macnish (L. Patron), David M. Macpherson (L), George F. Marter (C), James R. Stratton (L), James Pliny Whitney (C).

Recommended by: Hon. Arthur S. Hardy (L), Attorney-General.

Report: Dated March 17, 1897. Presented to the House April 7, 1897. Journals v. 30, 1897. Appendix no. 3, 5 p.

Notes: Report includes minutes of proceedings.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: This Committee took up the matter presented in the previous Session (item #30). It recommended selling the present Government House property, the purchasing of another site and the allotment of not more than \$6,500 for maintenance fees. The Report was concurred, April 7, 1897. That same day Bill 177, An Act respecting the Government House Property, embodying the Committee's findings, was given first and second readings. The Bill was passed with amendments April 10, 1897. R.A. April 13, 1897.

32 **Select Committee in Re Application of the Estate of the Late Alexander McArthur**

Appointed April 5, 1897.

Chairman: William A. Charlton (L).

Committee Members: R.A. Campbell (L), Hon. John Morrison Gibson (L), Joseph L. Haycock (L. Patron), Andrew Miscampbell (C), James R. Stratton (L), James Pliny Whitney (C).

Recommended by: Hon. John Morrison Gibson (L), Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Report: Dated April 8, 1897. Journals v. 30, 1897. Appendix no. 1, 5 p.

Source of Information: Bishop.

Historical Background: Alexander McArthur, a private citizen, had purchased a timber berth from the Ontario Government shortly before his death on February 14, 1895. His brother and business partner, Peter McArthur, had petitioned the Government on behalf of his brother's estate to cancel the sale, alleging that the purchase, made without his knowledge, to be invalid. The Committee, appointed to inquire into the circumstances of the case, recommended cancellation of the sale contract upon payment of \$5,000 by the estate. The Report was concurred, April 8, 1897.

33

Select Committee on Municipal Taxation

Appointed May 5, 1903.

Chairman: Hon. John Morrison Gibson (L), Attorney-General.

Committee Members: John Roaf Barber (L), Adam Beck (C), Henry Carscallen (C), James Stoddart Duff (C), James Joseph Foy (C), William John Hanna (C.), William Henry Hoyle (C), Hon. Francis R. Latchford (L), John Lee (L), Henry Stafford McDiarmid (L), Alexander Grant MacKay (L), Andrew Pattullo (L), Edward J.B. Pense (L), Henry John Pettypiece (L), Charles Berkeley Powell (C), Thomas H. Preston (L), Valentine Stock (L), James B. Tudhope (L), James Pliny Whitney (C).

Recommended by: Not indicated in Journals.

Report: Dated 1903. Presented to the House June 2, 1903. Journals v. 37, 1903, pp. 258-259.

OTL Holdings: Report of proceedings.

Source of Information: MacTaggart.

Historical Background: The Committee was appointed to review Bill 112, An Act respecting Municipal Taxation, 1903, which had been submitted to the Legislature as a draft bill by the Ontario Assessment Commission in its Report of 1903. The Committee recommended that the Government allow more time for consideration of the Bill's implications. In the following session Bill 72, An Act respecting Municipal Taxation, 1904, and Bill 136, The Assessment Amendment Act, 1904, were passed April 18, 1904. R.A. April 26, 1904.

34 **Select Committee on Municipal Trading and Municipal Ownership
or Operation of Public Utilities**

Appointed May 12, 1903. Members appointed May 19, 1903.

Chairman: Hon. John Morrison Gibson (L), Attorney-General.

Committee Members: Thomas Crawford (C), George P. Graham (L), John S. Hendrie (C), Denis Murphy (C), Andrew Pattulo (L), Thomas H. Preston (L).

Recommended by: Hon. John Morrison Gibson (L), Attorney-General.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House April 23, 1904. Printed. 246 p.

Notes: Report is comprised chiefly of extracts from various sources relating to the ownership of public utilities and the Return ordered June 12, 1903, showing rates charged to consumers for water, gas, and electric lighting. The Return is also Sessional Paper, 57, 1903, 2d sess., 10th Legislature. Includes bibliography pp. 5-14 and index.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTaggart.

Historical Background: This Committee was to gather public opinion on the principle of municipal ownership of public utilities. As stated in the Legislature it was to be the first systematic inquiry into this field by the Ontario Government. No recommendations were made in the Report.

35 **Select Committee on Child Labour**

Appointed February 13, 1907.

Chairman: Hon. Nelson Monteith (C), Minister of Agriculture.

Committee Members: John R. Dargaval (C), William K. McNaught (C), George Pattinson (C), Edward J.B. Pense (L), Josiah J. Preston (C), Thomas H. Preston (L), Hon. Robert A. Pyne (C), Allan Studholme (Labour), James B. Tudhope (L).

Recommended by: Thomas H. Preston (L).

Report: Dated March 25, 1907. Presented to the House March 27, 1907. Journals v. 41, 1907. Appendix no. 1, 14 p. Also printed separately.

Location: OTAR.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTaggart.

Historical Background: Mr. Preston, M.P.P., had charged in the Legislature that Ontario's child labour legislation was twenty years out-of-date. Appointed to inquire into existing laws both in Ontario and abroad, the Committee reported that the unfortunate conditions then existing in Britain or the United States were not to be found in Ontario. The Committee had found, however, certain abuses existing in Ontario because the factory and shop laws were not comprehensive and the mandatory education law was not strictly enforced. As a result of the Committee's recommendations, Bill 85, An Act to amend the Shops Act, was passed April 9, 1908 and Bill 86, An Act to amend the Factory Act, was passed April 10, 1908. R.A. April 14, 1908.

36 **Select Committee to which was Referred a Certain Resolution as to the Organization of the Resources of the Province**

Appointed March 28, 1916.

Chairman: Hon. William Howard Hearst (C), Premier and Minister of Agriculture.

Committee Members: John Allan (C), Charles Martin Bowman (L), Severin Ducharme (L), Hon. James Stoddart Duff (C), Hon. George Howard Ferguson (C), George A. Gillespie (L), Forbes E. Godfrey (C), Charles McCrea (C), Hon. Thomas William McGarry (C), William David McPherson (C), William Proudfoot (L. Indep.), Newton Wesley Rowell (L), Victor Albert Sinclair (C).

Recommended by: Newton Wesley Rowell (L), Leader of the Opposition.

Report: Presented to the House April 14, 1916. Not printed.

Notes: Resolutions were embodied in Bill 171, The Organization of Resources Act, introduced April 14, 1916 and passed April 19, 1916.

Source of Information: Journals v. 50, 1916, p. 108.

Historical Background: Mr. Rowell, M.P.P., had suggested in the Legislature that there was a need to organize resources for the war. The Committee was to consider the ways in which the Province could assist in the war effort and stabilize the economy during the war and post-war periods. The Report was adopted April 14, 1916.

37 **Select Committee Appointed to Consider and Report on the Celebration of the Fiftieth Year of Confederation**

Appointed March 26, 1917. Members appointed April 5, 1917.

Chairman: Hon. William Howard Hearst (C), Premier and Minister of Agriculture.

Committee Members: Herbert Hartley Dewart (L), Hon. Isaac Benson Lucas (C), Hon. Robert Allan Pyne (C), Newton Wesley Rowell (L).

Recommended by: Newton Wesley Rowell (L), Leader of the Opposition.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House March 7, 1918. Journals v. 52, 1918, pp. 90-91.

Source of Information: Journals v. 51, 1917, p.155.

Historical Background: Because of the war in Europe the public celebration was to be somewhat subdued. By its mandate the Committee was to confer with its federal counterpart. The Report, concurred March 7, 1918, outlined the ways in which the Committee had advised various groups and institutions in the celebration of the event.

38 **Special Committee of the Ontario Legislature on Industrial Rehabilitation**

Appointed April 12, 1920. Members appointed April 16, 1920.

Chairman: Joseph McNamara (Soldier)

Committee Members: William H. Casselman (U.F.O.), Henry Sloane Cooper (L), John Benjamin Johnston (U.F.O.), Thomas Magladery (C), William Herbert Price (C), Walter Ritchie Rollo (Labour), James Craig Tolmie (L), Ralph M. Warren (U.F.O.).

Recommended by: Joseph McNamara (Soldier)

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House April 11, 1921. Journals v. 55, 1921. Appendix no. 1, 18 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: Report includes statistics and a draft of the Industrial Rehabilitation Bill.

Location: OTAR.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory.

Historical Background: Charged with setting standards for vocational training for the disabled worker, the Committee recommended in its Report a draft bill establishing an Industrial Rehabilitation Board. No such legislation resulted from the Report.

39 **Committee on a Memorial of the Recent War**

Appointed April 22, 1920. Members appointed April 28, 1920.

Chairman: Henry Sloane Cooper (L).

Committee Members: Hon. Dougall Carmichael (U.F.O.), William Henry Fenton (U.F.O.), Joseph McNamara (Soldier), Hon. Arthur Edward Ross (C), Kenneth Spencer Stover (L).

Recommended by: Henry Sloane Cooper (L).

Report: Dated and presented to the House March 23, 1921. Journals v. 55, 1921, pp. 196-200. Also printed separately.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Preliminary Report, proceedings, correspondence, sketch of proposed cenotaph.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTaggart.

Historical Background: The Committee was to consider the best means of providing a permanent memorial to the Ontario soldiers who had fought in World War I. A preliminary report, recommending that a cenotaph be erected at the head of University Avenue and that a memorial hall for war relics be built, was passed March 23, 1921. The Committee was reappointed April 28, 1921 to continue its work. (See also items #43 and #44).

40 **Select Committee on a More Equitable System of Distribution of Hydro Electric Power and a More Uniform Price**

Appointed April 30, 1920. Members appointed May 28, 1920.

Chairman: No chairman appointed.

Committee Members: William H. Casselman (U.F.O.), Robert John Cooke (C), Frank Howard Greenlaw (Labour), John Giles Lethbridge (U.F.O.), John O'Neill (L).

Recommended by: John Giles Lethbridge (U.F.O.).

Report: Dated November 30, 1920. Presented to the House January 26, 1921. Printed. 13 p.

Location: OTL.

Source of Information: MacTaggart.

Historical Background: Mr. Lethbridge, M.P.P., claimed in the Legislature that the Hydro system discriminated against those living at a distance from the source of power. The Committee recommended that a Department of Power be established and that a rental should be charged on all power developed in the Province and paid to a consolidated fund of the Province. Bill 262, An Act to make more equal provision for the cost of Hydro-Electric Power in Ontario, was passed April 30, 1921. R.A. May 3, 1921.

41 **Special Committee Appointed to Investigate Proportional Representation**

Appointed May 28, 1920.

Chairman: Hammett P. Hill (C).

Committee Members: Hon. Manning W. Doherty (U.F.O.), Hon. Ernest Charles Drury (U.F.O.), Hon. George Stewart Henry (C), Karl Kenneth Homuth (Labour), Zotique Mageau (L), Thomas Magladery (C), Thomas A. Marshall (L), John O'Neill (L), William Herbert Price (C), Domace Racine (L), Hon. William Edgar Raney (U.F.O.), Hon. Peter Smith (U.F.O.), Thomas Tooms (Labour), Edgar Watson (U.F.O.).

Recommended by: Hon. Ernest Charles Drury (U.F.O.), Premier.

Report: Dated and presented to the House February 16, 1921. Sessional Papers, v. 53, part 8, 1921, no. 81, 35 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: Report includes Majority and Minority Reports, outline of parliamentary action in the United Kingdom, Tasmania and Canada regarding representation.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTaggart.

Historical Background: In the Legislature Mr. H. Hill, M.P.P., claimed that the existing system of single member ridings was not truly representative of the people. Bill 68, The Ontario Election Amendment Act, 1920, and Bill 69, The Representation Amendment Act, 1920, after second reading were referred to the Committee for consideration. The Committee was split on its recommendations. The Majority Report recommended that, although it would be unwise to adopt proportional representation in Ontario immediately, because of practical problems, small scale experiments in proportional representation be conducted in the Province. The Minority Report was generally not in favour of proportional representation. Both bills never had third reading.

42 **Special Committee to Inquire into the Fruit and Apple Interests of the Province**

Appointed February 23, 1921. Members appointed February 24, 1921.

Chairman: William John Bragg (L).

Committee Members: William David Black (C), Robert John Cooke (C), Hon. Manning W. Doherty (U.F.O.), George Mansfield Leeson (U.F.O.), Thomas A. Marshall (L), Wesley Montgomery (U.F.O.), George David Sewell (U.F.O.), Charles Fletcher Swayze (Labour).

Recommended by: William John Bragg (L).

Interim Reports: April 29, 1921. The Committee's recommendation to expand its sphere of investigation to include all natural perishable products and to continue between sessions was approved by the Legislature April 29, 1921.

Report: Dated April, 1922. Presented to the House May 11, 1922. Journals v. 56, 1922. Appendix no. 1, 28 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: Report includes Interim Report, testimony, and a short history of the export trade.

Location: OTL.

Source of Information: MacTaggart.

Historical Background: In the Legislature it had been felt that overseas fruit dealers had profited more than the Canadian producers from the sale of Canadian fruit. The Committee recommended the establishment of cold storage warehouses in Ontario's fruit-growing centres. As a result, an experimental warehouse was built at Brighton, Ont. In order to reduce transportation costs by improving refrigeration facilities in transit, the Committee recommended provincial co-operation with the federal government. The subject was again considered by the Agricultural Enquiry Committee (item #47).

43 **War Memorial Committee**

Appointed April 28, 1921.

Chairman: Henry Sloane Cooper (L).

Committee Members: (See item #39.) Added members: Morrison M. MacBride (Labour), John Carman Ramsden (L).

Recommended by: No record in Journals.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House March 30, 1922. Journals v. 56, 1922, pp. 142-43.

Notes: The Committee asked for an increase in funds and to be able to continue their work.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory.

Historical Background: Originally appointed April 22, 1920 (item #39) the Committee's recommendation for reappointment in its Report adopted March 30, 1922 was approved (item #44).

44 **Committee on a Memorial of the Recent War**

Appointed March 30, 1922.

Chairman: Henry Sloane Cooper (L).

Committee Members: (See items #39 and #43.)

Recommended by: No record in Journals.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House February 15, 1923. Journals v. 57, 1923. Appendix no. 1, 4 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: Report includes specifications for building the Cenotaph.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTaggart.

Historical Background: Originally appointed April 22, 1920 (item #39), and reappointed April 28, 1921 (item #43), this Committee recommended the erection of the Cenotaph on University Avenue, Toronto, but recommended the postponement of the construction of the combined Memorial and a Provincial Military Archives Building until a separate Department of Archives building could be built at the same time. Work on the Cenotaph began in 1925.

45

Select Committee on the Hotel and Tourist Investigation

Appointed June 8, 1922.

Chairman: Edgar Watson (U.F.O.).

Committee Members: Samuel Clarke (L), Joseph Cridland (U.F.O.), Malcolm Lang (L), William Herbert Price (C), Hon. William Edgar Raney (U.F.O.), Thomas Tooms (Labour).

Recommended by: Hon. William Edgar Raney (U.F.O.), Attorney-General.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House February 12, 1923. Printed. 106 p. illus.

Notes: Report includes statistics, survey of hotels and tourism industry. Includes index.

Location: OTL.

Source of Information: MacTaggart.

Historical Background: The Government was considering assistance to the Ontario hotel industry. The Committee was to conduct a survey of hotels with special reference to the needs of the hotel guests. Some of the Committee's recommendations were embodied in Bill 193, An Act respecting Hotels, 1923, introduced April 24, 1923. It was withdrawn May 4, 1923, because there was insufficient time at the end of the session for proper consideration. Bill 208,

The Hotels Act, 1924, introduced March 26, 1924, was passed April 10, 1924. R.A. April 17, 1924.

46 **Special Committee to Inquire into the Administration of the University of Toronto**

Appointed June 8, 1922.

Chairman: Hon. Ernest Charles Drury (U.F.O.), Premier.

Committee Members: Herbert Hartley Dewart (L), Hon. Manning W. Doherty (U.F.O.), George Howard Ferguson (C), Frank Howard Greenlaw (Labour), Charles McCrea (C), Thomas A. Marshall (L), Charles Fletcher Swayze (Labour), Edgar Watson (U.F.O.). Added June 9, 1922, Joseph McNamara (Soldier)

Recommended by: Hon. Robert Henry Grant (U.F.O.), Minister of Education.

Report: Dated May 2, 1923. Presented to the House May 3, 1923. Journals v. 57, 1923. Appendix no. 3, 16 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: Report includes the constitution of the University and a draft bill of An Act to amend the University Act.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, minutes, exhibits, correspondence, memoranda, miscellaneous printed material.

OTL Holdings: Evidence.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTaggart.

Historical Background: In response to public criticism of the University's management, the Legislature appointed the Committee to inquire into the University's administration and its relationship with the federated colleges and the Toronto General Hospital. Only one of the Committee's eighteen recommendations was implemented. Bill 73, An Act to amend the University Act, 1924, concerning the Alumni Federation's representation on the Board, was passed April 14, 1924. R.A. April 17, 1924.

47 **Agricultural Enquiry Committee**

Appointed April 17, 1924.

Chairman: David Jamieson (C).

Committee Members: Aurelien Belanger (L), William David Black (C), William Keith (C), John Giles Lethbridge (U.F.O.), Morrison MacBride (Labour), Thomas Alfred Thompson (C), Nelson William Trewartha (C).

Recommended by: Hon. John Strickland Martin (C), Minister of Agriculture.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House February 24, 1925. Journals v. 59, 1925. Appendix no. 1, 93 p. Also printed separately.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTaggart.

Historical Background: Continuing the work of the previous legislative Committee looking into agricultural problems (item #42), this Committee was appointed to study the social, economic and educational conditions of all agricultural industries in the interest of both farmers and consumers. The Committee recommended various improvements, including the formation of agricultural co-operatives and stressed the need for a Canadian National Export Marketing Commission. A sub-committee (item #48) presented the Second Report.

48 **Agricultural Enquiry Committee on Marketing of Agricultural Products**

Appointed 1925. (No specific date given in Journals or in Report.)

Chairman: David Jamieson (C).

Committee Members: Aurelien Belanger (L), William David Black (C), William Keith (C), John Giles Lethbridge (U.F.O.), Morrison MacBride (Labour), Thomas Alfred Thompson (C), Nelson William Trewartha (C).

Recommended by: No resolution to authorize the Committee to continue its work is recorded in the Journals.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House March 17, 1926. Journals v. 60, 1926. Appendix no. 1, 29 p. Also Sessional Papers v. 58, part 5, 1926, no. 48. (On title page: Second Report.)

Notes: Report includes tables and an index.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTaggart.

Historical Background: Appointed as a sub-committee of the Agricultural Enquiry Committee (item #47), this Committee was to consider the ways of improving the marketing methods of Ontario's agricultural producers including interprovincial cooperation in marketing surplus products. Among its recommendations were the creation of a co-operative marketing council for Ontario and the establishment of a National Export Commission and compulsory grading of beef and dairy products.

Select Committee Appointed to Consider Means of Improving the Method of Preparing Provincial Voters' Lists

Appointed February 27, 1933.

Chairman: Hon. William Herbert Price (C), Attorney-General.

Committee Members: William Lloyd Freele (C), Hon. George S. Henry (C), Albert E. Honeywell (C), William Morrison (C), Arthur Russell Nesbitt (C), William E. N. Sinclair (L), Thomas Kerr Slack (Progr.), William G. Willson (C). Added March 14, 1933, Frederick W. Elliott (L).

Recommended by: Arthur Russell Nesbitt (C).

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House April 11, 1933. Journals v. 67, 1933, p. 174 provides resume.

Source of Information: Journals v. 67, 1933, p. 26.

Historical Background: In the Legislature, Mr. Nesbitt, M.P.P., had advocated a revision of the provincial voters' list to make it more truly representative. He had also pointed out the unnecessary costs to larger communities in preparing annual lists. The Legislature later referred to the Committee Bill 66, An Act to amend the Election Act, which would have made voting compulsory. The Committee's recommendations were embodied in Bill 163, An Act to amend the Election Act, 1933, and Bill 162, An Act to amend the Voters' Lists Act. R.A. April 18, 1933.

Select Committee to Consider the Statement Made by Gordon Waldron, K.C. Respecting a Member of the House

Appointed March 21, 1933.

Chairman: Hon. Charles McCrea (C), Minister of Mines.

Committee Members: James Ferguson Hill (C), Charles E. Richardson (C), Austin B. Smith (C), David James Taylor (Progr.), Sydney Charles Tweed (L), Frank Worthington Wilson (C).

Recommended by: Hon. George Stewart Henry (C), Premier and Minister of Education.

Report: Dated and presented to the House April 11, 1933. Journals v. 67, 1933. Appendix no. 2, 87 p.

Location: OTAR.

Archives Holdings: Report (typescript), proceedings, exhibits, miscellaneous correspondence.

Source of Information: Journals v. 67, 1933, p. 93.

Historical Background: Gordon Waldron, K.C., counsel for the Optometry Board, had publicly charged that Edward J. Murphy, M.P.P., had been paid to promote Bill 82, An Act to repeal the Optometry Act, 1933. The Committee concluded that Mr. Waldron's accusation was not substantiated and was an insult to Mr. Murphy.

51 **Select Committee to Investigate the Charge that Mail Addressed to Mr. Macaulay had been Tampered with**

Appointed March 15, 1938.

Chairman: Hon. Paul Leduc (L), Minister of Mines.

Committee Members: James Howard Clark (L), Leslie M. Frost (C), Frederick George McBrien (C), Thomas Alexander Murphy (C), Hon. Harry C. Nixon (L).

Recommended by: Hon. Mitchell F. Hepburn (L), Premier and Treasurer.

Report: Dated and presented to the House March 31, 1938. Journals v. 72, 1938. Appendix no. 2, 93 p.

Notes: Included with the Report are the minutes, proceedings and index.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, exhibits.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory.

Historical Background: Mr. Macaulay, M.P.P., had charged in the Legislature that his mail was being tampered with because he had received opened mail on four occasions. The Committee found no evidence that Post Office employees had tampered with his mail, but that Mr. Macaulay was right in reporting the case to the Legislature.

52 **Select Committee to Investigate Power Contracts with Quebec Power Companies and other Hydro Matters**

Appointed March 28, 1938.

Chairman: Hon. Gordon Daniel Conant (L), Attorney-General.

Committee Members: William Alexander Baird (C), George H. Challies (C), James Howard Clark (L), James N. Cooper (L), Leslie M. Frost (C), Archibald J. Haines (L), Hon. Leopold Macaulay (C), Morrison M. MacBride (Ind. L), John Newlands (L), Hon. Harry C. Nixon (L), Ian T. Strachan (L).

Recommended by: Hon. Mitchell F. Hepburn(L), Premier and Treasurer.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House April 5, 1939. Journals v. 73, 1939. Appendix no. 1, 54 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: Report includes conclusions and recommendations of Majority and Minority groups. Includes index.

Location: OTAR.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, correspondence.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTaggart.

Historical Background: On March 2, 1938, in the Legislature, Mr. Macaulay, Leader of the Opposition, had charged that Premier Hepburn, while fully aware of future power shortages in Ontario, had deliberately deceived the public in his promotion of the 'Back to Niagara' policy in the 1937 election campaign. Mr. Macaulay also accused the Premier of secretly negotiating new contracts with the Gatineau, Beauharnois and MacLaren-Quebec Power Companies before the election without the knowledge of the Legislature. The Committee, which was to inquire into all power contracts made by the Hydro Commission, was divided in its findings. The Majority Report concluded that the new revised contracts with the above-mentioned companies were favourable to Ontario power-users and exonerated Premier Hepburn of the charges. The Minority Report, however, found political interference with Hydro management and did not favour the new contracts.

53 **Select Committee to Investigate the Department of Lands and Forests**

Appointed April 18, 1939. Members appointed April 27, 1939.

Chairman: Hon. Paul Leduc (L), Minister of Mines. Upon his resignation, James N. Cooper (L).

Committee Members: Hon. Colin A. Campbell (L), James N. Cooper (L), George Alexander Drew (C), Alexander Leslie Elliott (L), Hon. Harry C. Nixon (L), William G. Nixon (L), Farquhar R. Oliver (L), Frank Spence (C), Harold E. Welsh (C). Added January 10, 1940, Hon. Peter Heenan (Lib. Lab.).

Recommended by: George Alexander Drew (C), Leader of the Opposition.

Interim Reports: First Report, January 10, 1940. Second Report, February 20, 1940. Third Report, February 24, 1940, merely requested permission to continue the inquiry during the Legislature's recess. Journals v. 74, 1940. Appendix no. 1, has the interim reports and proceedings. 596 p.

Report: Dated and presented to the House April 8, 1941. Journals v. 75, part 1, 1941. Appendix no. 1, 747 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: Final Report comprised of Majority and Minority Reports, and includes proceedings April 22, 1940 to May 7, 1940.

Location: OTAR.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTaggart.

Historical Background: In the Legislature Col. Drew, Leader of the Opposition, had charged that the Department of Lands and Forests had been mismanaged under the Liberal administration. The Committee was appointed to inquire into all aspects of the administration and conservation of the province's natural resources by the Department. The Committee was divided in its findings. The Majority Report denied that the establishment of a Forest Management Commission would be helpful. The Minority Report, however, recommended the establishment of such a commission. It also recommended the codification of all forest resources legislation and the creation of a forestry research body. The Minority Report was critical of the then current forest licensing policies. In 1941, the Department underwent some reorganization including the creation of a new research division.

54 **Select Committee to Inquire into the Administration of Justice in the Province**

Appointed February 21, 1940.

Chairman: Hon. Gordon Daniel Conant (L), Attorney-General.

Committee Members: Richard D. Arnott (C.), Leslie M. Frost (C.), Hon. Paul Leduc (L), Ian T. Strachan (L).

Recommended by: Hon. Gordon Daniel Conant (L), Attorney-General.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House February 21, 1941. Journals v. 75, part 2, 1941, 80 p. Also printed separately.

Notes: Included with the Report are proceedings, evidence and an index.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, digests of evidence, correspondence.

Source of Information: MacTaggart.

Historical Background: In the Legislature Hon. Mr. Conant, M.P.P., had expressed the need for court reform to meet the growing number of court cases. The Committee was to inquire into the

constitution and administration of the provincial courts, both civil and criminal. Most of the Committee's recommendations involved amendments to various acts which were passed in the session of 1941.

55 Select Committee to Inquire into Collective Bargaining between Employers and Employees

Appointed February 18, 1943.

Chairman: Hon. James Howard Clark (L), Speaker.

Committee Members: Edward James Anderson (L), William James Gardhouse (L), Joseph A. Habel (L), Henry L. Hagey (L), John P. MacKay (L), Thomas Patrick Murray (L), John Newlands (L), Farquahar R. Oliver (L).

Recommended by: Hon. Gordon Daniel Conant (L), Premier and Attorney-General.

Report: Dated and presented to the House March 25, 1943. Journals v. 77, part 2, 1943, 9 p.

Notes: Included with the Report are proceedings (February 25, 1943 - March 18, 1943), 910 p. and index.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, notices of meetings to Committee members.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTaggart.

Historical Background: The Opposition, in criticizing the Government's labour policy, called for a committee to inquire into and recommend the best methods for improving the relations between labour and management, assuring maximum war production and at the same time giving effective protection to the workers. The Committee concluded that collective bargaining should be enhanced, and on March 27, 1944, Bill No. 73, An Act respecting the Rights of Labour, was introduced. This Bill, authorizing the principle of collective bargaining, was passed April 4, 1944. R.A. April 5, 1944.

56 Select Committee Appointed to Consider the Problem of the Development and Processing of the Lignite Deposits in Ontario

Appointed March 23, 1944. Members appointed March 24, 1944.

Chairman: Archibald Kelso Roberts (P.C.).

Committee Members: Richard D. Arnott (P.C.), William Dennison (C.C.F.), Robert Roy Downie (L), William J. Grummett (C.C.F.),

James deCongalton Hepburn (P.C.), Stanley J. Hunt (P.C.), John J. Kehoe (C.C.F.), Albert A. MacLeod (L.P.P.), Wilfred Lynn Miller (L), Cyril A.G. Overall (C.C.F.), Dana H. Porter (P.C.), John Abbott Pringle (P.C.), Calvin Howard Taylor (C.C.F.), William Gourlay Webster (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. George Alexander Drew (C), Premier.

Interim Reports: Presented April 14, 1944. The Committee requested permission to continue its work. The request was granted.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House February 27, 1945. Journals v. 79, 1945. Appendix no. 1, 8 p.

Location: OTAR.

Archives Holdings: Report (typescript), miscellaneous correspondence.

Source of Information: MacTavish.

Historical Background: The Committee was to provide information on the issue of development of lignite as a fuel and to examine the Ontario Fuel Commission's Report on the Onakawana Lignite Deposit, tabled March 23, 1944, and the Ontario Mining Commission's Interim Report on Mining Development, tabled March 22, 1944. The Committee concluded that the development of lignite deposit at Onakawana would be economically unsound. In view of the large amount of Government money already spent on the project, the Committee recommended, however, that the small scale plant already started at the Onakawana site be completed for experimental and research purposes.

57 **Select Committee to Study Labour Legislation**

Appointed February 28, 1945.

Chairman: Hon. Charles Daley (P.C.), Minister of Labour.

Committee Members: Hon. Leslie Egerton Blackwell (P.C.), Robert H. Carlin (C.C.F.), Hon. William A. Goodfellow (P.C.), Edward B. Jolliffe (C.C.F.), William Murdoch (P.C.), Farquhar R. Oliver (L), Roland Patterson (L), Hon. Dana Porter (P.C.), William C. Riggs (C.C.F.), Joseph B. Salsberg (L.P.P.), Arthur H. Williams (C.C.F.).

Recommended by: Joseph B. Salsberg (L.P.P.).

Report: None.

Source of Information: Journals v. 79, 1945 p. 33.

Historical Background: This Committee was appointed to examine the whole field of labour relations in Canada and abroad and to draft a Labour Relations Act for Ontario. It was to hold a public inquiry to hear representations from labour and management. Premier Drew's Government was defeated in March 1945, by a joint vote of non-confidence by the Liberal and C.C.F. parties, and an election was called. This terminated the Committee. A similar Committee was appointed after the election (item #58).

58 **Select Committee to Inquire into and Review all Labour Relations Legislation**

Appointed July 19, 1945.

Chairman: No chairman.

Committee Members: No committee members named.

Recommended by: Hon. George Alexander Drew (P.C.), Premier.

Report: None.

Source of Information: MacTavish.

Historical Background: In view of the Dominion-Provincial Conference on Reconstruction to begin August 6, 1945, this Committee was established to review all federal, provincial and foreign labour relations legislation, and to examine ways to improve similar legislation in Ontario. Committee members were not to be named until after the Conference in case a similar committee was to be appointed at the Conference. On April 4, 1946, the motion by Mr. Salsberg, M.P.P., for an immediate appointment of the Committee members was defeated. Apparently this Committee never functioned.

59 **Select Committee to Inquire into the Title Drainage Act, the Ditches and Water Courses Act and other Related Acts in Light of Recent Developments in Soil Conservation and Reforestration. Also known as Select Committee on Farm Drainage.**

Appointed March 20, 1947. Members appointed April 3, 1947.

Chairman: George W. Parry (P.C.).

Committee Members: Bryan L. Cathart (P.C.), Ross A. McEwing (L).

Recommended by: Harry Corwin Nixon (L).

Report: Dated February 16, 1948. Presented to the House March 8, 1948. Journals v. 82, 1948. Appendix no. 1, 17 p.

Location: OTAR.

Archives Inventory: Report (typescript), miscellaneous correspondence.

Source of Information: MacTavish.

Historical Background: The Committee made an exhaustive survey of drainage problems in Southern Ontario. It recommended amendments to several acts concerning drainage which were implemented by legislation passed in the following session.

60 **Select Committee to Study all Aspects of Conservation**

Appointed April 7, 1949.

Chairman: Fletcher Stewart Thomas (P.C.).

Committee Members: Thomas Roy Dent(P.C.), Stanley J. Hunt (P.C.), Theodore H. Isley (C.C.F.), Charles E. Janes (P.C.), Edward B. Jolliffe (C.C.F.), Edward B. McMillan (L), Farquhar R. Oliver (L), Osie F. Villeneuve (P.C.).

Recommended by: Farquhar R. Oliver (L).

Report: Dated March 15, 1950. Presented to the House March 20, 1950. Printed. 188 p. illus., maps.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Report (typescript), briefs, proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTaggart, MacTavish.

Historical Background: The Committee was to study all aspects of conservation particularly in reference to agriculture. It recommended more research, greater use of educational publicity for conservation programmes, an increase in recreational lands, more federal-provincial funding for conservation projects. Bill 119, An Act to amend the Conservation Authorities Act of 1946, 1950, passed March 29, 1950, implemented most of the Committee's recommendations. R.A. March 31, 1950.

61 **Select Committee on the Administration of Justice**

Appointed March 30, 1951.

Chairman: Hon. Dana H. Porter (P.C.), Attorney-General.

Committee Members: Alfred Wallace Downer (P.C.), William John Grummett (C.C.F.), William L. Houck (L), Charles E. Janes (P.C.), Edward B. Jolliffe (C.C.F.).

Recommended by: Hon. Dana H. Porter (P.C.), Attorney-General.

Report: None.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, exhibits, general correspondence, background papers.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings, index to proceedings, notes on proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTavish.

Historical Background: The press had alleged bad administration of justice in cities and towns. Windsor had been in the limelight recently because of resignations by various magistrates, including the Crown Attorney. The Committee was to study the constitution, the maintenance and organization of provincial courts and police forces, and methods for the prosecution of breaches of criminal law regarding gambling. No report was presented because the Committee was automatically dissolved when the Legislature was prorogued in April 1951. The Committee was not reappointed in the following Legislature.

62

Select Committee on Leaseholds

Appointed April 5, 1951.

Chairman: Hon. Louis Pierre Cecile (P.C.), Minister of Travel and Publicity.

Committee Members: Campbell C. Calder (L), Bryan Lewis Cathcart (P.C.), John L. Dowling (C.C.F.), George Eamon Park (C.C.F.), Hon. Dana H. Porter (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Dana H. Porter (P.C.), Attorney-General.

Report: None.

Source of Information: MacTavish.

Historical Background: Rent control, introduced by the federal government in 1941, was to end April 30, 1951. New tenants had the choice of signing monthly or two year leases which included increases up to 50%. Complaints from tenants and landlords had been received by the Government. The Committee was to inquire into this issue with special reference to the (Wartime) Leasehold Regulations, as defined in Bill 133, The Leasehold Regulation Act, 1951, which was passed on April 5, 1951. R.A. April 5, 1951. As a result of the Committee's recommendation for a freeze order, rents were frozen on April 17, 1951 to allow the Committee to study the matter further. Proposals of the Committee were incorporated into the regulations under the Leasehold Regulation Act, 1951, filed August 1, 1951.

Select Committee on Rent Control

Appointed February 27, 1952.

Chairman: Charles S. MacOdrum (P.C.).

Committee Members: Hon. Louis Pierre Cecile (P.C.), Harold Fishleigh (P.C.), Clare Mapledoram (P.C.), Hon. Dana H. Porter (P.C.), Arthur J. Reaume (L), John P. Robarts (P.C.), David T. Thomas (C.C.F.), William K. Warrender (P.C.). Added April 1, 1953, Ellis P. Morningstar (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Report: None.

Source of Information: MacTavish.

Historical Background: This Committee was appointed to continue the work of the previous Committee on Leaseholds (item #62). Although the Committee did not issue a report, according to Mr. MacTavish, former Legislative Counsel, it did make recommendations to the Government from time to time. The Committee was reappointed April 1, 1953 but was not reappointed in subsequent sessions.

Committee Charged with the Revision of the Companies Act and Related Acts

Appointed March 14, 1952.

Chairman: Archibald Kelso Roberts (P.C.).

Committee Members: William E. Brandon (P.C.), Aurele Chartrand (L), William J. Grummett (C.C.F.), William McAdam Nickle (P.C.), Hon. Dana H. Porter (P.C.), Hon. Fletcher Stewart Thomas (P.C.), Everett L. Weaver (P.C.), Hon. George Arthur Welsh (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Report: Dated December 15, 1952. Presented to the House February 18, 1953. Printed. 17 p.

Supplementary Report: Dated February 10, 1954. Presented to the House February 22, 1954. Printed. 3 p.

Notes: Appendix A of Report includes index of individuals and corporations appearing before the Committee.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, miscellaneous correspondence.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTavish.

Historical Background: In the 1952 Speech from the Throne, the Government had promised a completely revised Companies Act, which had been unchanged for forty years. This Committee was appointed to examine Bill 87, The Companies Act, 1952, after its first reading and to review other related acts, while examining similar legislation in other Canadian and foreign jurisdictions. The Committee circulated an Interim Draft of Bill 87 with the Committee's amendments to members of the business community. Bill 87 never went further than first reading. The Committee's recommendation were embodied in Bill 119, The Corporations Act, 1953, passed April 1, 1953. R.A. April 5, 1953. The Committee was reappointed April 1, 1953. After hearing further presentations the Committee recommended in its Supplementary Report further amendments to the Corporations Act, 1953, which were implemented in Bill 65, An Act to amend the Corporations Act, 1953, 1954. Passed April 1, 1954. R.A. April 6, 1954.

65

Select Committee on Lake Levels of the Great Lakes

Appointed March 28, 1952.

Chairman: Osie F. Villeneuve (P.C.).

Committee Members: Hollis E. Beckett (P.C.), Arthur J. Child (P.C.), Hon. William Griesinger (P.C.), William L. Houck (L), Robert W. Macaulay (P.C.), William Murdoch (P.C.), Raymond M. Myers (P.C.), Farquhar R. Oliver (L), David T. Thomas (C.C.F.), Hon. Fletcher S. Thomas (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Report: Dated March 1, 1953. Presented to the House March 3, 1954. Printed. 149 p. illus., maps, graphs. No reason for the delay in tabling the Report could be established.

Notes: Part I: Descriptive and Technical Data; Part II: Lakeshore Protective Measures. Includes summary of recommendations.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Briefs and evidence, photographs, press clippings, miscellaneous correspondence.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTavish.

Historical Background: In the winter and early spring of 1952, lake levels rose to such an extent that serious damage was done to buildings, homes and the shoreline of Lakes Ontario and Erie. Many representations were made to the Government requesting protection against similar occurrences and assistance in repairing

damage which had been done. The Committee was appointed to study the causes of variations of water levels, their effects, the possible methods of control used by other jurisdictions, and to report on the options for protecting the shorelines. The Committee recommended that the Ontario Department of Planning and Development cooperate with the federal government to undertake studies of currents in the Great Lakes, that the Beaches Protection Act be amended and that the Beaches and River Beds Act of 1912 be repealed. Amendments to the Beaches Protection Act were introduced in 1956 and were referred to the Committee on Mining which did not present a report. The Beaches and River Beds Act of 1912 was not amended until the session of 1958.

66

Select Committee Regarding Custodial Questions and Reform Institutions

Appointed April 1, 1953.

Chairman: William James Stewart (P.C.).

Committee Members: James S. Dempsey (P.C.), Alfred W. Downer (P.C.), William J. Grummett (C.C.F.), Allister Johnston (P.C.), Stanley F. Leavine (P.C.), Peter Manley (L), Donald Hugo Morrow (P.C.), William McAdam Nickle (P.C.), Farquhar R. Oliver (L), Thomas Pryde (P.C.).

Recommended by: Harry Corwin Nixon (L).

Report: Dated and presented to the House March 8, 1954. Printed. 455 p.

Notes: Appendices to Report include statistics and operating costs.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, miscellaneous correspondence.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTavish.

Historical Background: The Committee was appointed to study the problems in reforming delinquent individuals and the role of reform institutions in their rehabilitation. The Committee recommended sweeping changes in both the principles and fine details of prison administration with the emphasis on rehabilitation. To modernize the penal system the Committee recommended establishment of a chair of penology at an Ontario university; additional staffing of psychologists and social workers at the prisons, and some reorganization of the Department of Reform Institutions to meet the new demands. In 1955, the Department began implementing changes in keeping with the Committee's recommendations such as hiring additional prison personnel and introducing new work programs for the prisoners.

Select Committee on Civil Liberties and Rights of Indians in Ontario

Appointed April 2, 1953.

Chairman: Hon. William A. Goodfellow (P.C.), Minister of Public Welfare.

Committee Members: Bryan Lewis Cathcart (P.C.), John A. Fullerton (P.C.), William J. Grummett (C.C.F.), George G. Johnston (P.C.), John P. Johnstone (P.C.), Harry Corwin Nixon (L), William G. Noden (P.C.), John A. Pringle (P.C.), Roscoe L. Robson (P.C.), Albert Wren (Lib-Labour).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Report: Dated March 19, 1954. Presented to the House March 29, 1954. Printed. 23 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, miscellaneous correspondence.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTavish.

Historical Background: For some years the Ontario Legislature had discussed the need for anti-discrimination legislation in employment because of race, colour, creed. This Committee, appointed after the introduction in 1953 of the federal Bill 37, An Act to amend the Indian Act, recommended the extension of more rights to Indians and the improvement of their standard of living by increased provincial assistance in concert with the federal Department of Indian Affairs. In 1954, Bill 136, An Act to amend the Election Act, 1951, 1954, was passed April 6, 1954. R.A. April 16, 1954. Also, following the presentation of the Report, more provincial financial assistance was provided to Indians for social services.

Select Committee on the Cemeteries Act and Related Matters

Appointed April 2, 1953.

Chairman: James Noble Allan (P.C.).

Committee Members: Harry M. Allen (P.C.), George T. Gordon (L), Stanley L. Hall (P.C.), John W. Hanna (P.C.), Clayton H. Lyons (P.C.), Arthur J. Reaume (L), John H. Root (P.C.), William E. Sandercock (P.C.), David T. Thomas (C.C.F.), Norris Whitney (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Report: Dated February 19, 1954. Presented to the House March 2, 1954. Printed. 34 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, miscellaneous correspondence.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTavish.

Historical Background: As stated in the Legislature, commercial companies, as well as municipalities and religious organizations, had begun to operate cemeteries as investments; also some cemetery organizations were defaulting in providing perpetual care as promised in the original contracts. The Committee's recommendations were embodied in Bill 123, An Act to amend the Cemeteries Act, introduced March 24, 1954 and passed April 5, 1954. R.A. April 6, 1954.

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Select Committee Appointed to Inquire into Matters Concerning Certain Divisions of the Department of Highways

Appointed April 5, 1954.

Chairman: Archibald Kelso Roberts (P.C.).

Committee Members: Hollis E. Beckett (P.C.), William H. Collings (P.C.), Thomas Roy Dent (P.C.), William J. Grummett (C.C.F.), Robert A. Herbert (P.C.), Charles E. Janes (P.C.), Clare Edgar Mapledoram (P.C.), Farquhar R. Oliver (L), Hon. Dana H. Porter (P.C.), Albert Wren (Lib-Labour).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Report: Dated February 1, 1955. Presented to the House February 17, 1955. Printed. 200 p.

Notes: Report includes Report of Subcommittee appointed June 30, 1954, Minority Report, summary of findings.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, exhibits, general correspondence, miscellaneous printed material.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: MacTavish.

Historical Background: Irregularities at the Fort William Division of the Department of Highways resulted in an investigation by this Committee into overpayments to contractors and swindling of Government funds. Because the Committee members could not agree on their recommendations they issued two reports. The Majority Report acknowledged and condemned the improper practices but stated that the conditions referred to no longer

existed. Changes in departmental procedures were recommended. The Minority Report urged the establishment of a royal commission to investigate the matter further, and charged the Government with blocking a full probe of the irregularities. Although a royal commission was not appointed, the Department of Highways did reorganize.

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Select Committee on Central Registration of Documents of Title and Pledge Respecting Chattels & Certificates of Title of Ownership of Motor Vehicles

Appointed April 5, 1954.

Chairman: Robert William Macaulay (P.C.).

Committee Members: Bryan L. Cathcart (P.C.), Aurele Chartrand (L), William J. Grummett (C.C.F.), Arthur C. Jolley (P.C.), Lloyd A. Letherby (P.C.), Raymond M. Myers (P.C.), John P. Robarts (P.C.), Hon. William K. Warrender (P.C.). September 8, 1955 Aurele Chartrand, William J. Grummett, Raymond M. Myers replaced by Reginald Gisborn (C.C.F.), and John J. Wintermeyer (L).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Dated February 3, 1955. Presented to the House February 23, 1955. Printed. 22 p.

Report: Dated February 15, 1956. Presented to the House March 22, 1956. Printed. 8 p.

Notes: Report includes conclusions and redraft of Bill 125. (See Historical Background note).

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, briefs, questionnaire, correspondence, miscellaneous files.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: MacTavish, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: The existing system for registering conditional sales of motor vehicles at the local county court offices was proving inadequate in preventing fraud and badly needed to be updated to meet the rapidly changing business conditions in Ontario. The Committee was appointed to examine existing legislation and to recommend necessary changes in the registration system. Following the issuance of the Committee's Report February 23, 1955, Mr. Macaulay, M.P.P., chairman of the Committee, introduced Bill 125, An Act respecting Certificates of Title of Ownership for Motor Vehicles, on March 23, 1955. Because of problems with its practical application, Hon. Mr. Frost motioned

the Bill's withdrawal on the second reading. The Committee was reappointed September 8, 1955 to study the Bill further. The final report includes a redraft of the Bill. Although Hon. Leslie Frost promised on March 27, 1956 to introduce the Bill in the following session, he did not do so.

71 **Select Committee on Highway Safety**

Appointed April 5, 1954.

Chairman: William McAdam Nickle (P.C.).

Committee Members: James N. Allan (P.C.), William G. Beech (P.C.), Arthur J. Child (P.C.), J. Frederick Edwards (P.C.), George T. Gordon (L), Stanley F. Leavine (P.C.), Peter Manley (L), John H. Root (P.C.), David T. Thomas (C.C.F.), John Yaremko (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Report: Dated February 9, 1955. Presented to the House February 14, 1955. Printed. 36 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, briefs, correspondence.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, MacTavish.

Historical Background: Since 1945, Ontario's dramatic increase in motor vehicles and population had resulted in a mounting toll of traffic accidents. Appointed to study all aspects of highway safety, the Committee recommended amendments to the Highway Traffic Act which were introduced in the Legislature as Bill 116, An Act to amend the Highway Traffic Act, 1955, on March 18, 1955, and passed March 30, 1955. A division of Highway Safety in the Department of Highways was created in March 1955, as recommended by the Committee.

72 **Select Committee on Air Pollution and Smoke Control**

Appointed September 8, 1955.

Chairman: Alfred H. Cowling (P.C.).

Committee Members: William G. Beech (P.C.), Robert E. Elliott (P.C.), George T. Gordon (L), Hon. Phillip T. Kelly (P.C.), Robert William Macaulay (P.C.), Ellis P. Morningstar (P.C.), William Murdoch (P.C.), David T. Thomas (C.C.F.). March 27, 1956 William G. Beech replaced by William E. Brandon (P.C.).

Recommended by: Robert William Macaulay (P.C.).

Interim Reports: Dated February 29, 1956. Presented to the House March 15, 1956. Printed. 34 p.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House February 14, 1957. Printed. 84 p.

Notes: OTL copy includes Interim Report and a draft of an Air Pollution Control Act.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, miscellaneous correspondence.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: The Government had received many requests for greater pollution control. The Committee was to examine existing legislation and methods of pollution control and to explore ways of further educating the public in this area. Most of the Committee's recommendations, except the establishment of an Ontario Air Pollution Control Commission, were included in Bill 152, An Act to provide for the Control of Air Pollution, introduced March 11, 1958 and passed March 27, 1958. R.A. March 27, 1958.

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Select Committee on Toll Roads and Highway Financing

Appointed September 8, 1955.

Chairman: John P. Robarts (P.C.).

Committee Members: James A.C. Auld (P.C.), Hon. Alfred Wallace Downer (P.C.), William J. Grummett (C.C.F.), William E. Hamilton (P.C.), Arthur C. Jolley (P.C.), Stanley F. Leavine (P.C.), Peter Manley (L), Arthur J. Reaume (L), William E. Sandercock (P.C.), John Yaremko (P.C.). March 27, 1956, Alfred Wallace Downer, William J. Grummett, William E. Hamilton, Stanley F. Leavine replaced by Arthur J. Child (P.C.), Donald C. MacDonald (C.C.F.), Addison A. Mackenzie (P.C.), John H. Root (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Dated March 21, 1956. Presented to the House March 27, 1956. 43 p.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House February 19, 1957. Printed. 54 p. maps.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, committee files.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: The increase in motor vehicle traffic brought public pressure to improve road facilities. Financial requirements and the road maintenance budget had outstripped the province's revenue. The Committee recommended that no tolls be charged for multi-lane highways already constructed, that a new toll road be constructed between Hamilton and Toronto and that the Burlington Skyway become a toll road. For additional revenue, the Committee recommended an increase in the gas tax. Bill 98, An Act to amend the Gasoline Tax Act, was introduced February 21, 1957 and passed March 29, 1957. R.A. April 3, 1957. The toll on the Burlington Skyway was in effect for one year, 1959-1960.

74 **Select Committee on Labour Relations**

Appointed March 27, 1957.

Chairman: James A. Maloney (P.C.).

Committee Members: George E. Jackson (P.C.), Robert E. Macaulay (P.C.), Donald C. MacDonald (C.C.F.), Ellis P. Morningstar (P.C.), Raymond M. Myers (P.C.), Arthur J. Reaume (L), Henry L. Rowntree (P.C.), Joseph W. Spooner (P.C.), Albert Wren (Lib.Labour), John Yaremko (P.C.). March 26, 1958, Joseph W. Spooner replaced by Hon. George C. Wardrope (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Dated and presented to the House March 25, 1958. Printed. 11 p. Summary of problems and interim recommendations.

Report: Dated July 10, 1958. Presented to the House February 2, 1959. Printed. 64 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Interim Report, briefs and submissions, minutes, proceedings, correspondence, miscellaneous printed material.

OTL Holdings: Briefs, proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: As promised in the Speech from the Throne for 1957, this Committee was appointed to examine the operation and administration of the Labour Relations Act. After presenting an interim report, the Committee was reappointed

March 26, 1958. Recommendations of the Final Report were embodied in Bill 74, Labour Relations Amendment Act, 1960, which was introduced February 24, 1960 and passed April 1, 1960. R.A. April 12, 1960.

75 **Select Committee on Administrative and Executive Problems of the Government**

Appointed April 4, 1960. Members appointed April 12, 1960.

Chairman: Hon. Archibald Kelso Roberts (P.C.), Attorney-General.

Committee Members: Hon. James N. Allan (P.C.), William G. Davis (P.C.), Fernand Guindon (P.C.), Irwin W. Haskett (P.C.), Allan F. Lawrence (P.C.), William B. Lewis (P.C.), Donald C. MacDonald (C.C.F.), Hon. Farquhar R. Oliver (L), Hon. John P. Robarts (P.C.), Elmer W. Sopha (L).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Report 1, dated Nov. 17, 1960, presented to the House December 2, 1960, 24 p. Report 2, dated March 19, 1962, presented in the House. April 4, 1962, 7 p. Includes a draft bill to give statutory status and powers to the Public Accounts Committee.

Report: None.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Hearings, minutes, proceedings, exhibits, briefs, background material.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory.

Historical Background: The Committee was appointed to study the Report of the Committee on the Organization of the Government of Ontario, tabled September 25, 1959, and to recommend means of implementing its proposals, with particular attention to boards and commissions. The recommendations in the Committee's First Interim Report addressed the problem of making boards and commissions more responsible to the Legislature, and increasing the efficiency of the Legislative Assembly by improving the services of the Legislative Library and the Press Clipping Service. The Second Interim Report dealt with the function of the Legislature's Public Accounts Committee and the proposal to establish a central registry office for filing administrative tribunal decisions. No final report was presented because, the Committee was not reappointed after the election of 1963.

76 **Select Committee on Automobile Insurance**

Appointed April 5, 1960. Members appointed April 12, 1960.

Chairman: Hon James Noble Allan (P.C.), Provincial Treasurer.

Committee Members: Keith R. Brown (P.C.), Alfred H. Cowling (P.C.), J. Frederick Edwards (P.C.), George E. Gomme (P.C.), Jules Morin (P.C.), Donald H. Morrow (P.C.), John R. Simonett (P.C.), Vernon M. Singer (L), David T. Thomas (C.C.F.), Ross M. Whicher (L), Harry A. Worton (L). March 29, 1961, David T. Thomas replaced by Norman Davison (C.C.F.).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Report 1, dated March, 1961, tabled March 21, 1961, reviews existing insurance procedures. Report 2, dated December 1961, tabled December 13, 1961, includes five interim recommendations.

Report: Dated March 1963. Presented to the House April 17, 1963. Printed. 11 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Miscellaneous submissions, Committee files.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: The Committee was appointed to inquire into all matters relating to persons suffering financial loss or injury resulting from motor vehicle accidents. The Committee recommended greater control of automobile insurance rates by the Government. Most of the recommendations were implemented by the Legislature.

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Select Committee on the Cost of Drugs

Appointed April 6, 1960. Members appointed April 12, 1960.

Chairman: Henry Leslie Rowntree (P.C.).

Committee Members: Robert J. Boyer (P.C.), Kenneth Bryden (CCF), John A. Fullerton (P.C.), Gordon Lavergne (P.C.), Henry J. Price (P.C.), Richard E. Sutton (P.C.), James B. Trotter (L), John H. White (P.C.), Norris Whitney (P.C.), Albert Wren (Lib-Labour).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Dated March 16, 1961. The Committee requested reappointment.

Report: Dated and presented to the House April 26, 1963. Printed. 93 p.

Notes: Report includes submissions.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Minutes, proceedings, briefs and submissions, questionnaires, Committee files.

OTL Holdings: Hearings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: Widespread concern over the cost of drugs expressed by the public and press to the Members of the Legislature had resulted in this Committee's appointment to inquire into all aspects of drug costs including production and distribution. Most of the Committee's recommendations referred to federal controls and those pertaining to provincial legislation were not introduced in the Legislature. The matter, however, remained an issue for the next decade. In 1970 Ontario introduced its Parcost Program which implemented some of the Committee's recommendations in principle.

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Select Committee on Crop Insurance

Appointed April 8, 1960. Members appointed April 12, 1960.

Chairman: William A. Stewart (P.C.).

Committee Members: Rheal Belisle (P.C.), Raymond C. Edwards (L), Reginald Gisborn (C.C.F.), Stanley L. Hall (P.C.), Maurice Hamilton (P.C.), William E. Johnston (P.C.), Addison A. Mackenzie (P.C.), Ronald K. McNeil (P.C.), Peter Manley (L), Clarke T. Rollins (P.C.), John P. Spence (L).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Dated January 19, 1961. 24 p. The Committee requested reappointment.

Report: Dated February 12, 1962. Presented to the House April 10, 1962. Printed. 48 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Source of Information: Journals v. 94, 1960, p. 223. Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: Adverse weather conditions destructive to crops had created public pressure for the establishment of a crop insurance agency in the province. The Committee recommended, however, that the Legislature take no action to create such an agency at that time, because there was an increase in mixed farming, reducing the farmer's dependence on one crop for income, and that the coverage which was being requested was in fact prohibited by federal law. A crop insurance plan was not implemented until 1966.

Select Committee on Land Expropriation

Appointed April 8, 1960. Members appointed April 12, 1960.

Chairman: Hon. Frederick M. Cass (P.C.), Minister of Highways.

Committee Members: Hollis E. Beckett (P.C.), Joseph Gould (L), Hon. Allan Grossman (P.C.), Gordon W. Innes (L), Charles E. Janes (P.C.), Lloyd A. Letherby (P.C.), Ellis P. Morningstar (P.C.), William G. Noden (P.C.), George W. Parry (P.C.), Leo M. Troy (L).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Report 1, dated March 23, 1961. Report 2, dated December 12, 1961.

Report: Dated February 19, 1962. Presented to the House April 5, 1962. Printed. 50 p.

Notes: Final Report includes First and Second Interim Reports.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, miscellaneous correspondence.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: Since over thirty Ontario statutes dealt with some aspect of land expropriation by various authorities, the public had expressed the need for uniform legislation to tie it all together. The Committee recommended such uniform legislation which was embodied in Bill 111, The Expropriations Procedures Act, 1962, introduced March 19, 1963 and passed, April 26, 1963. R.A. April 26, 1963. As a result of this legislation, the expropriating authority had to register a plan of the land being taken over, and they had to inform the registered owner that his land was being expropriated.

Select Committee on the Municipal and Related Acts

Appointed March 27, 1961.

Chairman: Hollis E. Beckett (P.C.).

Committee Members: Rheal Belisle (P.C.), Alfred H. Cowling (P.C.), Arthur D. Evans (P.C.), George T. Gordon (L), Ronald K. McNeil (P.C.), Donald H. Morrow (P.C.), Vernon M. Singer (L), David T. Thomas (N.D.P.). April 25, 1963, Rheal Belisle replaced by Rene Brunelle (P.C.). October 30, 1963, Donald H. Morrow and David T. Thomas replaced by George Gomme (P.C.) and Frederick M. Young (N.D.P.). May 8, 1964, Rene Brunelle and Ronald K. McNeil replaced and new members added: Stanley Farquhar (L), R. Glen Hodgson (P.C.), Neil L. Olde (P.C.), Gordon W. Pittock (P.C.), Allan E. Reuter (P.C.), Norris Whitney (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Leslie M. Frost (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Report 1, dated November 23, 1961, tabled February 23, 1962, requested reappointment. (found in Appendix A of Second Interim Report). Report 2, dated March 28, 1963, tabled March 29, 1963. Report 3, dated March 17, 1964, tabled May 7, 1964.

Report: Dated March 1965. Presented to the House March 30, 1965. Printed. 190 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Briefs, minutes, proceedings, Committee files.

OTL Holdings: Briefs, hearings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: There had been several recent Government investigations into the mishandling of municipal funds by several Ontario communities. In the Legislature, dissatisfaction with the operation of certain municipal councils led to a proposal to amend The Municipal Act to make the council's conduct of business more open and subject to public scrutiny. Although Bill 88, An Act to amend the Municipal Act, 1961, had already been passed March 29, 1961, the Committee was to examine, consolidate and simplify The Municipal Act and related laws in order to prevent future misunderstandings. Most of the Committee's recommendations resulted in amendments to the relevant acts. The Committee's recommendation for the creation of regional governments was implemented some years later.

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Select Committee on Manpower Training

Appointed April 18, 1962.

Chairman: John Richard Simonett (P.C.).

Committee Members: Robert J. Boyer (P.C.), Rene Brunelle (P.C.), Alexander H. Carruthers (P.C.), John B. Chapple (L), Reginald Gisborn (N.D.P.), Robert J. Harris (P.C.), Jules Morin (P.C.), Ellis P. Morningstar (P.C.), Andrew E. Thompson (L), John H. White (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. John P. Robarts (P.C.), Premier.

Report: Dated February, 1963. Presented to the House March 27, 1963. Printed. 126 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Minutes, briefs, correspondence, preliminary draft of the Report.

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OTL Holdings: Briefs, hearings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: The Ontario Departments of Labour and Education and the Provincial Institute of Trades had been considering ways by which they could increase the number of apprentices and upgrade the level of training. The Committee was appointed to review The Apprenticeship Act and to examine the role of government, industry and labour in improving the apprenticeship system. Many of the Committee's recommendations were implemented by Bill 4, The Apprenticeship and Tradesmen's Qualification Act, 1964, introduced January 20, 1964, passed May 7, 1964. R.A. May 8, 1964. A new Industrial Training Program was instituted 1964-65.

82 **Select Committee on Consumer Credit**

Appointed April 26, 1963.

Chairman: Henry J. Price (P.C.).

Committee Members: Maurice Belanger (L), George Bukator (L), Maurice Hamilton (P.C.), Philip Hoffman (P.C.), Allan F. Lawrence (P.C.), Lloyd Letherby (P.C.), Donald C. MacDonald (N.D.P.), William G. Noden (P.C.), Leonard Reilly (P.C.), John H. White (P.C.). May 8, 1964, Maurice Belanger, Philip Hoffman, William G. Noden replaced by J. Frederick Edwards (P.C.), George A. Kerr (P.C.), Farquhar R. Oliver (L). Added members: Russell D. Rowe (P.C.), Ross M. Whicher (L).

Recommended by: Hon. John P. Robarts (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Not dated, presented to the House March 2, 1964. Recommendations regarding mortgages and used car dealers.

Report: Dated and presented to the House June 10, 1965. Printed. 285 p.

Notes: Final Report includes Interim Report. (See also Journals v. 98, 1964, pp. 90-96 for Interim Report.)

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Minutes, proceedings, briefs, Committee files.

OTL Holdings: Briefs, proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: In the light of the consumers' increasing use of credit, the Committee was appointed to investigate problems

associated with the actual cost of credit. The Interim Report recommended stiffer licensing regulations for used car dealers and closer control of mortgage procedures. Bill 109, The Used Car Dealers Act, 1964 was passed May 7, 1964. R.A. May 8, 1964. Bill 104, The Mortgage Brokers Registration Amendment Act, 1964 and Bill 106, The Mortgages Amendment Act, 1964 were both passed May 7, 1964. R.A. May 8, 1964.

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Select Committee on Aging

Appointed May 8, 1964.

Chairman: Alexander H. Carruthers (P.C.).

Committee Members: Gordon R. Carton (P.C.), Norman Davison (N.D.P.), Edward A. Dunlop (P.C.), Ralph J. Knox (P.C.), A. Bert Lawrence (P.C.), Ada Mary Pritchard (P.C.), Horace Racine (L), William E. Sandercock (P.C.), James B. Trotter (L), Osie F. Villeneuve (P.C.), Albert V. Walker (P.C.), Harry A. Worton (L), Paul J. Yakabuski (P.C.). June 22, 1965, Gordon R. Carton replaced by Norris Whitney (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. John P. Robarts (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Report 1, tabled May 31, 1965, contains ten interim recommendations. Report 2, tabled June 29, 1966, contains twenty-nine recommendations.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House February 23, 1967. Printed. 43 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Background papers, briefs, proceedings, Committee files, interim reports.

OTL Holdings: Background papers, briefs, proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: As promised in the Throne Speech of 1964, the Committee was established to review all current policies relating to aging, particularly government assistance to health, recreational and social programmes for the aged. It recommended the establishment of an Office of Aging to co-ordinate government policies for senior citizens, and the establishment of an Ontario Institute on Aging for research in gerontology, improved health and chronic care facilities, increased public housing for senior citizens and better social welfare programmes. Many of the recommendations were eventually implemented. For example, the Ontario Advisory Council on Senior Citizens was established in 1974.

Select Committee on Mining

Appointed May 8, 1964.

Chairman: Rene Brunelle (P.C.).

Committee Members: Dalton Bales (P.C.), Gaston Demers (P.C.), Robert A. Eagleson (P.C.), Edward G. Freeman (N.D.P.), Lorne C. Henderson (P.C.), R. Glen Hodgson (P.C.), Addison A. Mackenzie (P.C.), William G. Noden (P.C.), Clarke T. Rollins (P.C.), Elmer W. Sopha (L), John P. Spence (L), Richard A. Taylor (L). June 22, 1965, Robert A. Eagleson and Lorne Henderson replaced by Hollis E. Beckett (P.C.) and Lloyd Letherby (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. John P. Robarts (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Dated and presented to the House June 1, 1965. 16 p. Pamphlet form, preliminary recommendations.

Report: Dated May 1966. Presented to the House June 16, 1966. Printed. 103 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Interim Report, proceedings, briefs and submissions, photographs of Committee members.

OTL Holdings: Hearings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: The Committee was charged with studying methods of stimulating mining exploration and development in Ontario in order to strengthen the northern communities and Ontario as a whole. The Committee recommended changing some prospecting and mining claims restrictions, improving the quality of mining personnel, up-dating the Ontario Dept. of Mines to enable it to serve the industry better. Many of the Committee's recommendations were incorporated in Bill 87, The Mining Amendment Act, 1967, passed May 8, 1967. R.A. June 15, 1967.

Select Committee on Youth

Appointed May 8, 1964.

Chairman: Sylvanus C.J. Apps (P.C.).

Committee Members: Keith R. Brown (P.C.), Keith E. Butler (P.C.), Donald W. Ewen (P.C.), Murray Gaunt (L), Stephen Lewis (N.D.P.), Darcy McKeough (P.C.), Ronald K. McNeil (P.C.), Ellis P. Morningstar (P.C.), Bernard Newman (L), George H. Peck (P.C.), Leo M. Troy (L), Robert Welch (P.C.), Thomas L. Wells (P.C.). June 22, 1965, D'Arcy McKeough, Robert Welch replaced by J. Frederick

Edwards (P.C.), Russell D. Rowe (P.C.). July 8, 1966, Keith Brown retired and Leo Troy replaced by Richard S. Smith (L).

Recommended by: Hon. John P. Robarts (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Report 1, tabled April 9, 1965, 24 p. is a progress report and summary of visitations. Report 2, tabled June 29, 1966, 63 p. has preliminary recommendations.

Report: Dated March 1967. Presented to the House April 6, 1967. Printed. 408 p.

Notes: Report includes statistics, graphs, bibliography.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Briefs, surveys, evidence, interim reports, correspondence, minutes, drafts of reports.

OTL Holdings: Briefs, index to submissions and index to hearings, proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: As promised in the Throne Speech, 1964, the Legislature set up this Committee to study the question of greater participation by youth in the community and to examine the problems of youth in modern society. Among the Committee's recommendations were the establishment of a Department of Youth to co-ordinate all government programmes for youth, the creation of community colleges, an expansion in recreational and sports facilities, and social services geared to this age group. Following the Committee's Report, a committee of Cabinet was appointed in January 1968 to consider the implementation of the recommendations. The Youth and Recreation Branch of the Department of Education, appointed June 1, 1970, implemented the recommendations concerning recreation and also funded a number of summer employment programs. The Youth Advisory Committee was in operation by June 1970.

Select Committee on Company Law

Appointed June 22, 1965.

Chairman: Allan F. Lawrence (P.C.).

Committee Members: Gordon R. Carton (P.C.), Robert A. Eagleson (P.C.), Lorne C. Henderson (P.C.), A. Bert Lawrence (P.C.), Leonard Reilly (P.C.), James Renwick (N.D.P.), Vernon M. Singer (L), Elmer Sopha (L), Ivan W. Thrasher (P.C.), Robert Welch (P.C.). July 8, 1966, Henry J. Price (P.C.) added. June 14, 1967, Henry J. Price, Robert Welch replaced by Russell D. Rowe (P.C.), R. Glen Hodgson (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. John P. Robarts (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Dated May 12, 1967. 155 p. Background information and recommendations.

Report: None.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Briefs, proceedings.

OTL Holdings: Briefs, proceedings.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: The Corporations Act had been in force since April 30, 1954. The Committee was to consider the principles of the incorporation, operation, management and dissolution of corporations. Recommendations resulted in the introduction of Bill 61, The Business Corporations Act, 1970, on April 29, 1970. The Bill was passed June 25, 1970. R.A. June 26, 1970 (item #90). The Committee was reappointed July 8, 1966.

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Select Committee on the Conservation Authorities Act

Appointed June 22, 1965.

Chairman: Arthur D. Evans (P.C.).

Committee Members: Maurice Hamilton (P.C.), Robert J. Harris (P.C.), R. Glen Hodgson (P.C.), George Kerr (P.C.), Donald C. MacDonald (N.D.P.), D'Arcy McKeough (P.C.), Robert Nixon (L), Neil Olde (P.C.), Farquhar R. Oliver (L), Donald A. Paterson (L), Gordon W. Pittock (P.C.), Allan E. Reuter (P.C.). July 8, 1966, Donald C. MacDonald replaced by Reginald Gisborn (N.D.P.).

Recommended by: Hon. John P. Robarts (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Presented to the House March 15, 1966. 6 p. The Committee requested more time to receive submissions. Interim Report is Appendix E in Final Report.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House March 20, 1967. Printed. 135 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Briefs, submissions, minutes, background papers, Committee files.

OTL Holdings: Briefs, submissions.

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: The Committee was to undertake a complete review of the operation of Conservation Authorities and to determine what administrative and legislative changes were needed. Recommendations were embodied in Bill 36, The Conservation Authorities Act, 1968, introduced March 11, 1968 and passed May 17, 1968. R.A. May 30, 1968.

88 **Select Committee on Election Laws**

Appointed July 23, 1968. (Really re-appointed: see Historical Background notes)

Chairman: Edward A. Dunlop (P.C.).

Committee Members: Syl Apps (P.C.), J. Albert Belanger (P.C.), Leo Bernier (P.C.), Alex H. Carruthers (P.C.), William Ferrier (N.D.P.), Louis M. Hodgson (P.C.), Bernard Newman (L), Clarke T. Rollins (P.C.), Vernon M. Singer (L), Gordon E. Smith (P.C.), Richard S. Smith (L), Fred M. Young (N.D.P.).

Recommended by: Hon. John P. Robarts (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Report 1, tabled February 24, 1969, 64 p. Report 2, tabled October 29, 1969, 8 p. Report 3, tabled June 5, 1970, 50 p. Report 4, tabled April 16, 1971, 76 p.

Report: None.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

OTL Holdings: Briefs, hearings.

Source of Information: Journals v. 102, 1968, p. 212.

Historical Background: First appointed July 8, 1966, reappointed June 14, 1967 and again July 23, 1968, this Committee took the proceedings from the Select Committee on Election Laws appointed July 8, 1966, and used them as a framework. Its mandate was to review election laws in light of modern needs, practices and concepts. Recommendations of the first two reports were embodied in Bill 217, The Election Act, 1968-69, introduced November 4, 1969, passed November 24, 1969. R.A. December 2, 1969 and Bill 218, An Act to amend the Voters' Lists Act, introduced and passed at the same time as Bill 217. Report 3, contained draft legislation for the amendments to the Election Act, 1968-69, which did not result in any changes. Report 4, recommended twelve amendments to The Election Act, revised by Bill 125, An Act to amend The Election Act, 1968-69, introduced July 13, 1971, and passed July 28, 1971. R.A. July 28, 1971.

89 **Select Committee on the Report of the Ontario Committee on Taxation**

Appointed May 31, 1968.

Chairman: John Howard White (P.C.).

Committee Members: James R. Breithaupt (L), Donald M. Deacon (L), Gaston Demers (P.C.), James Jessiman (P.C.), R. Douglas Kennedy (P.C.), Patrick D. Lawlor (N.D.P.), A. Bert Lawrence (P.C.), Arthur K. Meen (P.C.), William Newman (P.C.), Clifford G. Pilkey (N.D.P.), James W. Snow (P.C.), James B. Trotter (L).

Recommended by: Hon. John P. Robarts (P.C.), Premier.

Report: Dated September 16, 1968. Printed. 314 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Briefs, correspondence, drafts of Final Report, research files, Committee files, proceedings (on tape).

Source of Information: Archives Inventory, Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: The Committee was appointed to examine the recommendations of the Report of the Ontario Committee on Taxation, which had been appointed February 26, 1963, under the Public Inquiries Act by Order-in-Council 557/63 and which was chaired by Mr. Lancelot Smith. This Committee disagreed with several recommendations made by the Ontario Committee on Taxation, especially in the areas of retail sales tax and property tax. This Committee recommended that the onus of taxation be carried by the personal and corporate income tax. The Ontario Budget, presented in 1969, dealt with some of the tax problems raised by both committees.

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Select Committee on Company Law

Appointed July 23, 1968.

Chairman: Gordon R. Carton (P.C.).

Committee Members: Leonard A. Braithwaite (L), Dante M. DeMonte (L), Lorne C. Henderson (P.C.), R.M. Johnston (P.C.), A. Bert R. Lawrence (P.C.), Arthur K. Meen (P.C.), Henry J. Price (P.C.), Leonard M. Reilly (P.C.), James Renwick (N.D.P.), Russell D. Rowe (P.C.), Morton Shulman (N.D.P.), Elmer W. Sopha (L). June 26, 1969, Elmer W. Sopha replaced by James Beecham Trotter (L).

Recommended by: Hon. John P. Robarts (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Not dated. Presented to the House December 15, 1969. Printed. Report on Credit Unions, 111 p.

Report: None.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Briefs, proceedings.

OTL Holdings: Index to briefs, proceedings.

Source of Information: Ontario Government Publications, 1971.

Historical Background: This Committee was to continue the review and revision of The Corporations Act, 1954, which the previous Committee had begun (item #86). (See also item #91.) This Interim Report constitutes the Committee's final report on credit unions. As a result of the Committee's recommendations up to this point, The Corporations Act, Bill 75, and the Business Corporations Act, 1970, Bill 61, were passed. R.A. for both June 26, 1982.

91 **Select Committee on Company Law**

Appointed December 17, 1971.

Chairman: Arthur K. Meen (P.C.); December 15, 1972, William Hodgson appointed chairman.

Committee Members: John Clement (P.C.), Edward R. Good (L), William Hodgson (P.C.), R.M. Johnston (P.C.), Patrick D. Lawlor (N.D.P.), Leonard M. Reilly (P.C.), James Renwick (N.D.P.), Margaret Scrivener (P.C.), Vernon M. Singer (L), Gordon E. Smith (P.C.). June 30, 1972, Arthur K. Meen replaced by John Clement. December 15, 1972, John Clement replaced by James N. Allan (P.C.). May 3, 1973, James N. Allan replaced by J. Albert Belanger (P.C.). June 20, 1974, Arthur K. Meen replaced by James A. Taylor (P.C.). June 27, 1974, Leonard M. Reilly, Margaret Scrivener replaced by Edward M. Havrot (P.C.), Donald W. Ewen (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. William G. Davis (P.C), Premier.

Interim Reports: Report 1, Report on Cooperatives, June 7, 1971. 113 p. Report 2, Report on Mergers and Amalgamations, November 14, 1973. 73 p. Report 3, Report on Loan and Trust Corporations, June 23, 1975. 139 p.

Report: None.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, briefs for Report 1; background material, general files for Report 3.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Journals v. 4, 1960, p. 222. Ontario Government Publications, 1971, 1975.

Historical Background: Continuing the work of the previous Committee (item #86, #90), this Committee had the task of

reviewing the laws relating to mergers and amalgamations. Amendments to pertinent acts were passed as a result of these and subsequent reports (see also items #101, #105). The Interim Reports constitute the final reports of the Committee on co-operatives, mergers, loan and trust companies.

92 **Select Committee on Economic and Cultural Nationalism in Canada**

Appointed December 17, 1971.

Chairman: Russell D. Rowe (P.C.).

Committee Members: Donald M. Deacon (L), Ian Deans (N.D.P.), Sidney Handleman (P.C.), R. Glen Hodgson (P.C.), R. Douglas Kennedy (P.C.), Nick Leluk (P.C.), Elie W. Martel (N.D.P.), William Newman (P.C.), Richard S. Smith (L), Gordon Walker (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. William G. Davis (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Preliminary Report, March 1, 1972, 16 p. Report 2, Foreign Ownership of Ontario Real Estate, October 9, 1973, 60 p. Report 3, Colleges and Universities in Ontario, November 23, 1973, 139 p. Report 4, Capital Markets, Foreign Ownership and Economic Development, 103 p. and Natural Resources, Foreign Ownership and Economic Development, June 20, 1974, 193 p. Report 5, Advertising and the Advertising Industry, October 22, 1974, 28 p.

Report: Dated and presented to the House January 27, 1975. Printed. Two final reports. Final Report on Cultural Nationalism, 51 p. Final Report on Economic Nationalism, 150 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Briefs, correspondence, proceedings, studies, background papers and material, European trip files.

OTL Holdings: Briefs, hearings, studies, interim reports.

Source of Information: Ontario Government Publications, 1972.

Historical Background: The Committee was to review the report of the Ontario Interdepartmental Task Force on Foreign Investment and the current status of economic and cultural nationalism. It recommended that attention be devoted to the provincial role in capital markets and that Canada and Ontario develop and control their own economic futures to a greater extent.

93 **Select Committee on the Utilization of Educational Facilities**

Appointed December 17, 1971.

Chairman: John R. Smith (P.C.).

Committee Members: Richard Beckett (P.C.), Margaret Birch

(P.C.), James F. Foulds (N.D.P.), Murray Gaunt (L), Lorne C. Henderson (P.C.), James Jessiman (P.C.), Floyd Laughren (N.D.P.), Charles McIlveen (P.C.), Jack McNie (P.C.), Bernard Newman (L). June 30, 1972, John R. Smith replaced by Charles McIlveen (P.C.), Lorne C. Henderson, James Jessiman replaced by Edward M. Havrot (P.C.), Lorne Maeck (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. William G. Davis (P.C.), Premier.

Interim Reports: Report 1, June 19, 1973, 45 p. Report 2, December 11, 1973, 28 p., focuses on year round use of facilities. Report 3, October 22, 1974, 38 p., focuses on post-secondary facilities.

Report: Dated February 1975 entitled What Happens Next Is Up to You. Presented to the House February 6, 1975. Printed. 81 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Interim reports, drafts of all reports, briefs, background material, correspondence, research files and notes, material collected on European tour.

Source of Information: Ontario Government Publications, 1972.

Historical Background: This Committee was appointed to consider the possibilities of encouraging community use of educational facilities especially in view of declining enrolment. Many of the Committee's recommendations were incorporated into a programme for community use of schools, announced in the Legislature, by the Hon. T.E. Wells, then Minister of Education, on November 7, 1974. Financial support was provided and handbooks on community use of schools were printed for distribution.

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Select Committee on Land Drainage

Appointed June 30, 1972.

Chairman: Lorne C. Henderson (P.C.).

Committee Members: Fred Burr (N.D.P.), Robert Eaton (P.C.), Donald Ewen (P.C.), William Ferrier (N.D.P.), Maurice Hamilton (P.C.), Ronald K. McNeil (P.C.), W.J. Nuttall (P.C.), Donald Paterson (L), John Spence (L), Douglas Wiseman (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. William Stewart (P.C.), Minister of Agriculture and Food.

Interim Reports: Dated December 1972. Presented to the House, December 4, 1972. 29 p. Preliminary recommendations for amendments to the Drainage Act.

Report: Dated June 1974. Presented to the House June 18, 1974. Printed. 104 p., charts, illus.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Minutes, proceedings, briefs, correspondence, drafts of reports, research files, Committee files.

OTL Holdings: Index to hearings, hearings, Interim Report.

Source of Information: Journals v. 106, 1971/72 p. 158. Ontario Government Publications, 1972.

Historical Background: The objectives of land drainage as an agricultural policy were to be examined. The Committee identified land drainage as an essential soil management practice and recommended changes to The Drainage Act and The Tile Drainage Act. A new Drainage Act was introduced as Bill 130, on June 27, 1975, and passed July 10, 1975. R.A. July 18, 1975. Bill 131, An Act to amend the Tile Drainage Act, was introduced June 27, 1975, and passed July 8, 1975. R.A. July 18, 1975.

95 **Select Committee on Motorized Snow Vehicles and All-Terrain Vehicles**

Appointed June 30, 1972.

Chairman: Alexander Hugh Carruthers (P.C.).

Committee Members: Frank Drea (P.C.), Hugh Edighoffer (L), M.C. "Bud" Germa (N.D.P.), Bernt Gilbertson (P.C.), George Nixon (P.C.), Richard Ruston (L), John Edward Stokes (N.D.P.), James A. Taylor (P.C.), Thomas Wardle (P.C.), Paul J. Yakabuski (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Gordon R. Carton (P.C.), Minister of Transportation and Communications.

Interim Reports: Not dated. Presented to the House May 31, 1973. 41 p. Recommendations dealing with motorized snow vehicles.

Report: Dated and presented to the House March 25, 1974. Printed. 26 p.

Notes: Recommendations dealing with all-terrain vehicles.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Minutes, briefs, correspondence, research files, questionnaires, Committee files.

OTL Holdings: Briefs, hearings, minutes.

Source of Information: Journals v. 106, 1971/72, p. 158. Ontario Government Publications, 1973.

Historical Background: Concern that all-terrain vehicles were causing ecological harm had been expressed in the Legislature as

early as 1970. The Committee was to study their safety, operation in public areas and related legislation. Many restrictions were recommended by the Committee which were enforced through amendments to a number of Acts. Use of the vehicles on public roads was phased out by 1975. Bill 161, The Motorized Snow Vehicles Act, 1974, was introduced December 3, 1974, and passed December 20, 1974. R.A. December 20, 1974.

96

Select Committee on the Ontario Municipal Board

Appointed June 30, 1972.

Chairman: John P. MacBeth (P.C.).

Committee Members: Michael M. Cassidy (N.D.P.), Philip G. Givens (L), Raymond Haggerty (L), Donald R. Irvine (P.C.), John Lane (P.C.), Donald C. MacDonald (N.D.P.), Frank Miller (P.C.), Harry Parrott (P.C.), Dennis Timbrell (P.C.), John Turner (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. William G. Davis (P.C.), Premier.

Report: Dated November 21, 1972. Presented to the House December 6, 1972. 34 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Minutes, proceedings, briefs and submissions, research files, Committee files.

OTL Holdings: Briefs, proceedings.

Source of Information: Ontario Government Publications, 1972.

Historical Background: According to its mandate, the Committee examined the purpose, jurisdiction, structure, appeal procedures and relationship to the provincial Government of the Ontario Municipal Board. As a result of one of the Committee's recommendations for reforming the Board's administrative procedures and making its decisions public, new policies were implemented by the Board to ease the flow of applications and to publish its reports.

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Select Committee on the Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario New Head Office Building

Appointed May 1, 1973.

Chairman: John P. MacBeth (P.C.).

Committee Members: James N. Allan (P.C.), James Bullbrook (L), Ian Deans (N.D.P.), Murray Gaunt (L), Sidney Handleman (P.C.), R. Glen Hodgson (P.C.), William Hodgson (P.C.), William Newman (P.C.), James Renwick (N.D.P.), Gordon Walker (P.C.). May 3, 1973, Sidney Handleman replaced by Lorne C. Henderson (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Eric A. Winkler (P.C.), Chairman of the Management Board of Cabinet.

Report: Dated October 2, 1973. Presented to the House. October 9, 1973. Printed. 12 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Minutes, proceedings, exhibits, Committee files.

OTL Holdings: Exhibits, hearings, indexes to hearings and exhibits.

Source of Information: Ontario Government Publications, 1973.

Historical Background: In the spring of 1971, Hydro revived its plans for a new head office building. In the Legislature, alleging political patronage, the Opposition claimed that Canada Square Corporation Limited, which had been chosen to construct the Hydro building, had inside information on Hydro's needs before the three other companies which had submitted proposals. Gerhard Moog, head of Canada Square Corporation Limited, was a personal friend of Premier Davis. The Committee found that the Premier had not influenced the contract in any way, and recommended that the Legislature take no further action.

98 **Select Committee to Consider and Set Out General Rules and Guidelines for the Guidance of the Ombudsman**

Appointed October 29, 1975.

Chairman: Vernon M. Singer (L).

Committee Members: Hon Allan Grossman (P.C.), William Hodgson (P.C.), Patrick D. Lawlor (N.D.P.), Keith Norton (P.C.), T. Patrick Reid (L. Labour), James A. Renwick (N.D.P.).

Recommended by: Hon. Roy McMurtry (P.C.), Attorney-General.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House December 11, 1975. Journals v. 110, 1975-77, pp. 58-69.

Source of Information: Journals v. 110, 1975-77, p. 12.

Historical Background: Under Section 16 (1) of The Ombudsman's Act, 1975, passed June 27, 1975, R.A. July 3, 1975, the Legislature was given the power to make general rules for the guidance of the Ombudsman. Although Arthur Maloney, Q.C. was not sworn in as Ombudsman until October 30, 1975, he had unofficially acted in the role since May 22, 1975 when his nomination for the office was announced. The Committee concluded that it was premature to define general rules for the guidance of the Ombudsman and recommended that the Legislature set up a permanent committee to review the Report of the Ombudsman, estimates of the Ombudsman's Office and the results of the Ombudsman's decisions. Such a committee, although not permanent, was appointed in 1976 (item #104).

Select Committee Inquiring into Hydro's Proposed Bulk Power Rates

Appointed October 30, 1975.

Chairman: Donald C. MacDonald (N.D.P.).

Committee Members: James E. Bullbrook (L), Ian Deans (N.D.P.), Frank Drea (P.C.), Evelyn Gigantes (N.D.P.), Hon. Allan Grossman (P.C.), Raymond L. Haggerty (L), Lorne Maeck (N.D.P.), David R. Peterson (L), James A. Renwick (N.D.P.), John Williams (P.C.), Douglas Wiseman (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Dennis R. Timbrell (P.C.), Minister of Energy.

Interim Reports: Dated December 12, 1975, 30 p. Adopted December 17, 1975. Preliminary recommendations.

Report: Dated June 1976. Presented to the House June 18, 1976. Printed. 181 p.

Notes: Final Report includes Interim Report.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, briefs.

OTL Holdings: Exhibits, hearings, index to exhibits.

Source of Information: Ontario Government Publications, 1976.

Historical Background: The Committee was to review Ontario Hydro's proposals for increases in power rates in the light of the anti-inflation program of the federal government. Hydro rate increases were lowered as a result of the Committee's Report and most of the other recommendations pertaining to the Ministry of Energy were implemented. At the recommendation of this Committee, a select committee to examine Hydro's nuclear commitment was appointed in 1977 (item #108).

Select Committee on the Fourth and Fifth Reports of the Ontario Commission on the Legislature

Appointed October 30, 1975.

Chairman: Donald H. Morrow (P.C.).

Committee Members: Michael M. Cassidy (N.D.P.), Murraray Gaunt (L), Edward R. Good (L), M.E.C. "Bud" Gregory (P.C.), Ronald K. McNeil (P.C.), Elie W. Martel (N.D.P.).

Recommended by: Hon. Robert Welch (P.C.), Minister of Culture and Recreation.

Interim Reports: Report 1, dated Dec. 4, 1975 (Journals v.110, 1975, pp. 43-45). Report 2, dated June 22, 1976. 40 p. The interim recommendations were approved by a motion in the House on Dec. 16, 1976 (Journals v.110, 1976, pp. 213-218).

Report: Dated February 9, 1977. Presented to the House March 29, 1977. Printed. 60 p.

Notes: Report includes an overview and summary. Appendices include correspondence and the Report on the Legislative Library, by Erik Spicer, Parliamentary Librarian, Ottawa.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Minutes, interim reports, correspondence, background papers.

Source of Information: Ontario Government Publications, 1976.

Historical Background: The Committee was to review and advise the Legislature on the recommendations contained in the Fourth and Fifth Reports of the Ontario Commission on the Legislature, tabled November 25, 1974 and October 28, 1975. Most of the Committee's recommendations, including upgrading of the Legislature's facilities and services, were implemented.

101 **Select Committee on Company Law**

Appointed May 25, 1976.

Chairman: Vernon M. Singer (L).

Committee Members: James R. Breithaupt (L), James E. Bullbrook (L), M.C. "Bud" Germa (N.D.P.), Larry Grossman (P.C.), William Hodgson (P.C.), R.M. Johnston (P.C.), Floyd Laughren (N.D.P.), Patrick D. Lawlor (N.D.P.), James A. Renwick (N.D.P.), Marv Shore (L), Gordon E. Smith (P.C.), Paul J. Yakabuski (P.C.). October 26, 1976, William Hodgson replaced by John P. Ferris (L).

Recommended by: Hon. Robert Welch (P.C.), Minister of Culture and Recreation.

Interim Reports: First Report on Automobile Insurance dated 1977, 366 p.

Report: None.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, minutes, exhibits, miscellaneous files.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Journals v. 110, 1975-1977, p. 98.

Historical Background: The focus for this Committee was on the auto insurance companies. As did the previous committees on Company Law, this Committee recommended a more consumer-oriented business practice. (See also item #105.)

102 **Select Committee on Highway Safety**

Appointed May 25, 1976.

Chairman: Fred M. Young (N.D.P.).

Committee Members: E.J. "Ted" Bounsall (N.D.P.), Michael J. Breaugh (N.D.P.), William Ferrier (N.D.P.), Philip G. Givens (L), J.M. "Jack" Johnson (P.C.), R. Douglas Kennedy (P.C.), George McCague (P.C.), R.W. "Bob" Mackenzie (N.D.P.), Lorne Maeck (P.C.), Robert F. Nixon (L), Keith Norton (P.C.), J.K. "Jack" Riddell (L). June 8, 1976, Lorne Maeck replaced by Ronald K. McNeil (P.C.). November 29, 1976, Keith Norton replaced by Terry Jones (P.C.). June 28, 1977, William Ferrier, Philip C. Givens not reappointed.

Recommended by: Hon. Robert Welch (P.C.), Minister of Culture and Recreation.

Interim Reports: Dated November 1976. Presented December 1, 1976.

Report: Dated September 1977. Presented to the House October 17, 1977. Printed. 126 p.

Notes: Final Report includes Interim Report.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Minutes, exhibits, administrative files, European trip background information.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Ontario Government Publications, 1976.

Historical Background: As indicated in the Speech from the Throne, 1976, the Committee was appointed to examine the question of highway safety, accident prevention, and driver education. As a result of the Committee's recommendations, the Ministry of Transportation and Communications launched programs for classifying drivers' licenses and for inspecting motor vehicles.

103 **Select Committee on the Highway Transportation of Goods**

Appointed May 25, 1976.

Chairman: M.E.C. "Bud" Gregory (P.C.).

Committee Members: Iain Angus (N.D.P.), J. Albert Belanger (P.C.), Eric Cunningham (L), Frank Drea (P.C.), John Lane (P.C.), Antonio "Tony" Lupusella (N.D.P.), Douglas Moffatt (N.D.P.), Ed Philip (N.D.P.), T. Patrick Reid (L. Lab.), Richard S. Smith (L), Osie F. Villeneuve (P.C.), John Williams (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Robert Welch (P.C.), Minister of Culture and Recreation.

Interim Reports: Dated September 30, 1976. Presented October 28, 1976, 145 p. Interim recommendations.

Report: Dated April 24, 1977. Presented to the House April 29, 1977. Printed. 722 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Interim Report, minutes, briefs, submissions, background material.

OTL Holdings: Briefs, proceedings.

Source of Information: Ontario Government Publications, 1977.

Historical Background: As indicated in the Speech from the Throne, 1976, this Committee was established to examine all matters pertaining to shippers and transporters of goods in Ontario. Although Bill 4, An Act to amend the Public Commercial Vehicles Act, 1976, had been referred to the Standing Committee on Resources Development, the Bill became the focal point for discussion by this Select Committee. Many of the Committee's recommendations regarding general policy were implemented by the Ministry of Transportation and Communications.

104 **Select Committee on the Ombudsman**

Appointed July 15, 1976.

Chairman: James A. Renwick (N.D.P.).

Committee Members: Michael Davison (N.D.P.), Larry Grossman (P.C.), William Hodgson (P.C.), Keith Norton (P.C.), Hugh P. O'Neil (L), Richard Ruston (L), Gill Sandeman (N.D.P.).

Recommended by: Hon. William G. Davis (P.C.), Premier.

Report: Dated October 15, 1976. Presented to the House October 26, 1976. Printed. 14 p.

Notes: Background material and recommendations.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Minutes, transcripts.

OTL Holdings: Proceedings.

Source of Information: Ontario Government Publications, 1976.

Historical Background: The appointment of this Committee implemented the recommendation of the previous Committee on the Ombudsman (item #98). The Committee was charged with examining the report which the Ombudsman had filed with the Ministry of Housing regarding land acquisitions in the North Pickering area. The Committee supported the agreement which had been reached by the Minister and the Ombudsman for the North Pickering residents whose lands had been acquired by the Government.

105 **Select Committee on Company Law**

Appointed July 12, 1977. Reconstituted, July 5, 1978 with some changes.

Chairman: James R. Breithaupt (L).

Committee Members: Eric Cunningham (L), Sam Cureatz (P.C.), M.C. "Bud" Germa (N.D.P.), M.E.C. "Bud" Gregory (P.C.), Larry Grossman (P.C.), Floyd Laughren (N.D.P.), Bruce McCaffrey (P.C.), T. Patrick Reid (L. Lab.), James A. Renwick (N.D.P.), David Rotenberg (P.C.), Alfred Stong (L), Ronald G. Van Horne (L), Paul J. Yakabuski (P.C.). December 17, 1977, Floyd Laughren, Larry Grossman, Bruce McCaffrey replaced by David Warner (N.D.P.), Gordon E. Smith (P.C.), William Hodgson (P.C.). June 22, 1978, Bud Gregory, Alf Stong replaced by John P. MacBeth (P.C.), Paul Blundy (L). June 22, 1979, Sam Cureatz replaced by Sidney B. Handleman (P.C.). December 20, 1979, Sidney B. Handleman replaced by George Taylor (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Robert Welch (P.C.), Minister of Culture and Recreation.

Interim Reports: Report 1, The Insurance Industry; Second Report on Automobile Industry, presented to the House June 22, 1978, 55 p. Report 2, The Insurance Industry; Third Report on General Insurance, presented to the House June 12, 1979, 417 p.

Report: None.

Notes: The interim reports of this particular committee continue the numbering sequence for the reports on the same topic submitted by previous committees. These "interim" reports constitute the final reports on the Committee's investigation of the automobile and general service industries.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, minutes, exhibits, miscellaneous files for Report 1; minutes for Report 2.

Source of Information: Ontario Government Publications, 1978, 1979.

Historical Background: This Committee continued the investigation of auto and general insurance companies begun in 1976. (For previous committees on Company Law see items #86, #90, #91, #101.)

106 **Select Committee on the Ombudsman**

Appointed July 12, 1977.

Chairman: Michael Davison (N.D.P.). December 13, 1978, Patrick D. Lawlor (N.D.P.), was appointed chairman.

Committee Members: Margaret Campbell (L), John Eakins (L), Robert Elgie (P.C.), Ross McClellan (N.D.P.), Gordon I. Miller (L), James A. Renwick (N.D.P.), George Taylor (P.C.), John Turner (P.C.), Osie F. Villeneuve (P.C.). October 17, 1977, James A. Renwick replaced by Evelyn Gigantes (N.D.P.). October 18, 1977, Evelyn Gigantes replaced by Patrick D. Lawlor (N.D.P.). June 22, 1978, Ross McClellan, George Taylor replaced by Anthony Grande (N.D.P.), James A. Taylor (P.C.). December 13, 1978, Michael Davison replaced by Ross McClellan (N.D.P.).

Recommended by: Hon. Robert Welch (P.C.), Minister of Culture and Recreation.

Interim Reports: Report 1, presented to the House March 28, 1977, 96 p. Report 2, December 1, 1977, 145 p. Report 3, May 29, 1978, 94 p. Report 4, November 9, 1978, 140 p. Report 5, June 7, 1979, 57 p. Report 6, October 11, 1979, 107 p.

Report: None.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Report 1, transcripts, minutes, photocopied files of Ministry of Housing and the Office of the Ombudsman (restricted access). Report 2, minutes, transcripts, exhibits. Report 3, minutes, background material, European trip files. Report 4, minutes, proceedings, exhibits. Report 5, proceedings, exhibits. Report 6, draft copy of Report.

OTL Holdings: Exhibits, minutes, proceedings.

Source of Information: Ontario Government Publications, 1978.

Historical Background: Continuing the work of the previous Committee (item #104), each report presented by this Committee corresponded to the Annual Report of the Ombudsman. After consideration by the Assembly, the recommendations of the

reports were implemented by the Ombudsman. This Committee has become virtually, a standing committee to review the Ombudsman's Annual Report.

107 Select Committee on Inco and Falconbridge Layoffs

Appointed November 10, 1977.

Chairman: Hon. Sidney B. Handleman (P.C.), Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations.

Committee Members: Michael G. Bolan (L), Robert Elgie (P.C.), M.C. "Bud" Germa (N.D.P.), Raymond L. Haggerty (L), Michael P. Hennessey (P.C.), R. Douglas Kennedy (P.C.), John Lane (P.C.), Floyd Laughren (N.D.P.), Bruce McCaffrey (P.C.), R.W. "Bob" Mackenzie (N.D.P.), Eli W. Martel (N.D.P.), Hugh P. O'Neil (L), David Peterson (L), Alan Pope (P.C.), Julian Reed (L), George Taylor (P.C.), Gordon Walker (P.C.). December 15, 1977, Bud Germa, David Peterson, Julian Reed, George Taylor replaced by Sean Conway (L), John Sweeney (L), C.J. "Bud" Wildman (N.D.P.), Hon. Douglas Wiseman (P.C.).

Recommended by: Hon. Robert Welch (P.C.), Minister of Culture and Recreation.

Interim Reports: Report 1, presented to the House November 25, 1977. Journals v. 3, 1977, pp. 123-124. Report 2, presented to the House December 13, 1977. Journals v. 3, 1977, p. 150. Report 3, presented to the House February 21, 1978. v.p. Printed separately.

Report: Not dated. Presented to the House March 3, 1978. Printed. 40 p.

Notes: Includes Third Interim Report.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Interim reports, minutes, proceedings, exhibits, Committee files.

OTL Holdings: Exhibits, proceedings.

Source of Information: Journals v. 3, 1977, p. 92.

Historical Background: Initially appointed to inquire into the Inco layoffs in Sudbury, announced in October 1977, the Committee was later charged with investigating the layoffs at Falconbridge Nickel Ltd., in Port Colbourne announced on December 8, 1977. The Committee recommended reducing the long range impact of layoffs in Sudbury and Port Colbourne. No immediate action was taken.

108 Select Committee on Ontario Hydro Affairs

Appointed November 24, 1977.

Chairman: Donald C. MacDonald (N.D.P.).

Committee Members: George Ashe (P.C.), James F. Foulds (N.D.P.), Evelyn Gigantes (N.D.P.), Raymond L. Haggerty (L), Sidney B. Handleman (P.C.), Terry Jones (P.C.), Vincent Kerrio (L), John Lane (P.C.), Nick Leluk (P.C.), Robert F. Nixon (L), Julian Reed (L), George Samis (N.D.P.), John Williams (P.C.). December 15, 1977, Sidney B. Handleman, John Lane replaced by J. Albert Belanger (P.C.), Ronald K. McNeil (P.C.). June 22, 1978, Terry Jones, George R. Samis replaced by Michael P. Hennessy (P.C.), and Ian Deans (N.D.P.). December 15, 1978, Ian Deans replaced by Odoardo Di Santo (N.D.P.). April 17, 1979, Ronald K. McNeil replaced by Sam Cureatz (P.C.). May 31, 1979, Vincent Kerrio replaced by Sean Conway (L). June 19, 1979, Odoardo Di Santo replaced by Bob Mackenzie (N.D.P.). December 2, 1979, Robert F. Nixon replaced by Vincent Kerrio (L).

Recommended by: Hon. Robert Welch (P.C.), Minister of Culture and Recreation.

Interim Reports: Report 1, Report on Proposed Uranium Contracts, tabled March 30, 1978, 145 p. Report 2, Report on Its Inquiry into the Construction of Heavy Water Plants at Bruce, tabled October 26, 1978, v.p. Report 3, Interim Report to the Legislature, tabled November 16, 1978, 3 p. Report 4, NPD Reactor at Rolphton, tabled May 24, 1979. Journals v. 113, 1979, p. 174. Report 5, The Safety of Ontario's Nuclear Reactors; Interim Report, tabled December 11, 1979, 68 p. Report 6, Special Report on the Need for Electrical Capacity, tabled December 13, 1979, 10 p.

Report: Report 1, The Management of Nuclear Fuel Waste, June 1980, presented June 19, 1980, 33 p. Report 2, The Safety of Ontario's Nuclear Reactors, June 1980, presented June 19, 1980, 44 p. Report 3, Mining, Milling and Refining of Uranium in Ontario, Dec. 1980, presented, Dec. 12, 1980, 40 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Interim Report 1, minutes, proceedings, exhibits. Interim Report 2, minutes, proceedings, exhibits. Interim Report 5, minutes, exhibits. Interim Report 6, proceedings, minutes, exhibits.

OTL Holdings: Exhibits, proceedings.

Source of Information: Ontario Government Publications, 1978.

Historical Background: In the Legislature concern had been expressed about the cost overruns of the two heavy-water plants being built by Ontario Hydro at the Bruce Nuclear Power Development. The Committee was appointed to investigate the costs of construction, to review the implementation of the recommendations of the Select Committee on Bulk Power Rates (item #99) and to examine Ontario's nuclear commitment including policy, cost and safety factors. Of the Committee's major

recommendations the following were implemented:

- The construction of one plant at the Bruce Development was stopped (it was restarted in April 1979 in order to build up energy reserves).
- Ontario's commitment to explore and develop nuclear energy continued with perhaps more public awareness of safety factors and need for satisfactory waste disposal methods.
- The uranium purchase contracts from Denison Mines and Preston Mines were approved.
- In 1980, the Ontario Energy Board approved Ontario Hydro's request for authority to increase rates for municipal utilities and large industries by 9.5 per cent.

109 **Select Committee on Health-Care Financing and Costs**

Appointed June 19, 1978.

Chairman: Robert Elgie (P.C.). Sept. 13, 1978. Robert Elgie, replaced by Bruce McCaffrey (P.C.).

Committee Members: Sean Conway (L), Jack Johnson (P.C.), Bruce McCaffrey (P.C.), R.W. "Bob" Mackenzie (N.D.P.), J.K. "Jack" Riddell (L), John Turner (P.C.), David Warner (N.D.P.).

Recommended by: Hon. Robert Welch (P.C.), Minister of Culture and Recreation.

Report: Dated October 17, 1978. Presented to the House October 23, 1978. Printed. 62 p.

Location: OTAR, OTL.

Archives Holdings: Proceedings, exhibits, correspondence, drafts of Final Report.

OTL Holdings: Exhibits, minutes, proceedings.

Source of Information: Ontario Government Publications, 1978.

Historical Background: In the 1978 Budget, the Government had introduced a proposal for an increase in personal premiums charged for public hospital and medical insurance programs. Public and political reaction to this resulted in the appointment of the Select Committee. Although the Committee recommended not to increase OHIP premiums and not to implement user charges, the Treasurer ordered an increase in March, 1979. At the time of writing, the issue of the user charges has yet to be resolved. (See Ontario Economic Council. Occasional Paper 10. Controlling Health Care Costs by Direct Charges to Patients; Snare or Delusion?).

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